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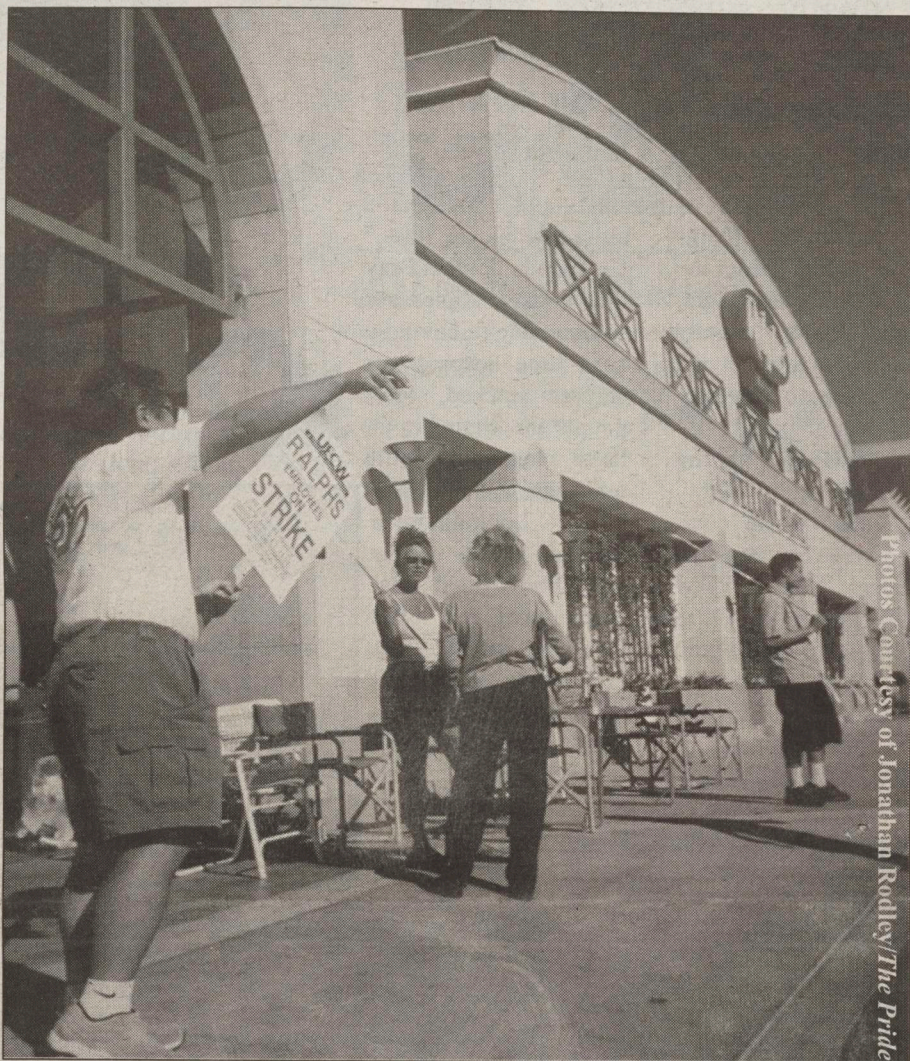
By CHAD SPINKS
Pride Staff Writer

United Food and Commercial Workers, UFCW, members organized a strike against Kroger, Albertsons, and Safeway chain grocery stores that began October 13. According to the UFCW website, the strike is an effort to protect employee benefits which are being cut under a new provision. The new provisions would decrease medical benefits by half and jeopardize long term employee's pension plans.

A lawsuit has been filed by UFCW unions against Albertsons and Ralph's, who have locked out employees, for violating the California Mass Layoff Notification Law (California Labor Code: Section 1400). The law requires all employees to be given 60 days notice prior to a mass layoff.

Andrea Conner stands at the entrance of the Ralph's shopping center holding a picket sign reading, "Ralph's Employees On Strike." Motorists drive by honking horns and giving thumbs up of approval as she waves back with a smile. "Any support we get is great," Conner said.

Students living in the University Village Apartments have become aware of the strike over the past week. Ralph's is the closest grocery store to UVA residents, "I have to go grocery shopping, but I go to Stater Brothers. I totally support the Union. I went over there to strike and I don't even work there," said freshman, and



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Protestors outside on Twin Oaks Valley Rd. encourage shoppers to take business elsewhere.

UVA resident, Amanda Howard.

The strike has not deterred all students from shopping at the Ralph's. "I still go over there (Ralph's), because you can't always get what you need at Stater Brothers," said freshman Aimee Bradley.

Approaching the Ralph's entrance, union strikers hand customers lists of alternative places to shop. Andrea Conner convinces one customer, Scott Low, to shop elsewhere to support the union. "I'm with you, because

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Photo By Elizabeth Baldwin/The Pride

A pick-up truck wraps around the lightpost at Craven Road and Twin Oaks Valley Road last Sunday.

Pick-up Crashes At CSUSM

By JONATHAN RODLEY
Co-Editor

A black pick-up truck slammed into a traffic light last Saturday at the intersection of Twin Oaks Valley Road and Craven Road at the main entrance to CSUSM.

The driver, Curtis Roberts, is currently listed in critical condition at Palomar Medical Center.

Police reports are yet to be issued, but witnesses said the driver speeded through a read light and lost control of the vehicle when he hit a dip in the road.

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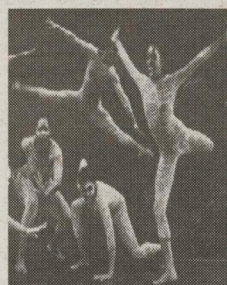
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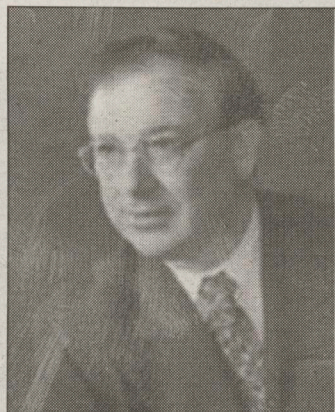
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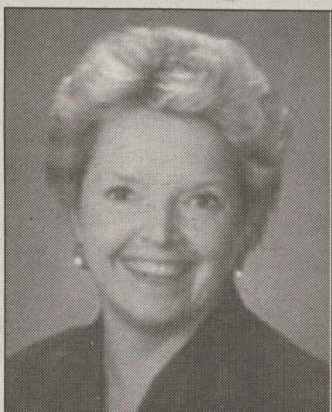
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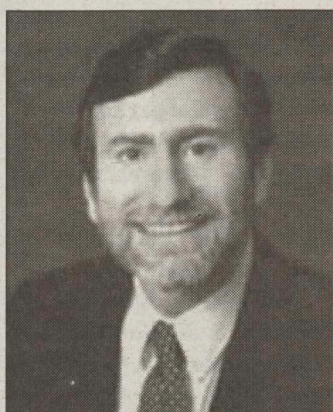
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Dennis L. Hefner

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By MELISSA RODRIGUEZ
Pride Staff Writer

A new president for CSUSM will soon be selected from three candidates who will be visiting our campus to meet with students, faculty, alumni and the community from Nov. 5-7. The candidate selected will relieve Interim President Roy McTarnaghan and succeed our former President Alex Gonzalez.

"These are an extremely strong pool of candidates. Each one of them

would be a great president for the campus. They all have extremely good experience and they will be able to lead the campus immediately through these challenging fiscal times and meet the needs of the students," said Colleen Bentley-Alder, Director of Public Affairs for the CSU Chancellors Office.

Karen S. Haynes, President of the University of Houston-Victoria will visit Wednesday, Nov. 5, Dennis L. Hefner, President of State University of New York in Fredonia will visit

Thursday, Nov. 6, and Ephraim P. Smith, vice president for academic affairs at CSU Fullerton will round out the visits on Friday, Nov. 7.

Students who would like to meet the hopefuls can attend open forums at the Clarke Field House on Nov. 5-7 from 1:45-2:30 pm or they can attend open receptions in the Dome Terrace at 5:30 pm

Additional information about the candidates can be found at www.executivesearch.calstate.edu.

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I'm a working man too. The workingman is the backbone of society. We wouldn't have the great things that we have if it wasn't for unions. I'm going to go over to Longs," said Low.

Strikers hope to put a dent in the amount of business going in to the grocery stores. Their efforts are visible in the

sources are seeing an increase in new customers. Located within the Ralph's shopping center, across the parking lot, is Longs Drugs. Department manager of Longs, Brad O'Husky said, "We're seeing a lot of new faces. People are supporting what they are doing over there, and they don't want to

"I totally support the Union. I went over there to strike and I don't even work there,"

Amanda Howard
Freshman

few customers roaming the aisles inside the store. Ralph's Manager, Clancy Smith, quietly checks stock through the store. "Sales are definitely down," Smith said. He added, "but we're getting better everyday."

Mr. Smith commented on his striking employees. "They're good people. It's kind of sad to see them out there," Smith said. "I just hope things get settled."

As business at Ralph's remains slow, alternative shopping

cross the picket lines." He added, "I would say that we have tripled our volume. We're having a hard time keeping our shelves stocked. Most people are coming in for basic needs, like milk and eggs, necessities."

Looking for a resolve, Union striker Jeff Davis said that there have not been any talks or meetings scheduled. "I wouldn't be surprised if this lasts two to four weeks, maybe more," Davis said.



Robert O'Connor and Andrea O'Conner lending their support to the protest.

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Breast Cancer Awareness
By DANIELLE BOLDT
Pride Staff Writer

The American Cancer Society has recognized October as the National Breast Cancer Awareness month and is "dedicated to increasing awareness of breast cancer issues, especially the importance of early detection of breast cancer."

As the most common cancer found in women after Lung Cancer, it has been predicted that 211,300 women will develop Breast Cancer in 2003, and 44,000 American women will die this year. Because of the high mortality rate and risk for Breast Cancer, October 17 is National Mammography Day. Throughout the month of October, radiologists offer free or discounted screening mammograms.

With various "pass the word" campaigns, encouragement of early detection plans, and sponsored walks such as the San Diego "Stride Against Breast Cancer" Walk, people have joined together to create awareness and help battle this disease.

There are some risk factors that put you at a higher risk for developing Breast Cancer:

1. If you are a woman (occurs in men also, but it is very rare)
2. If you are over age 50 you have a higher chance.
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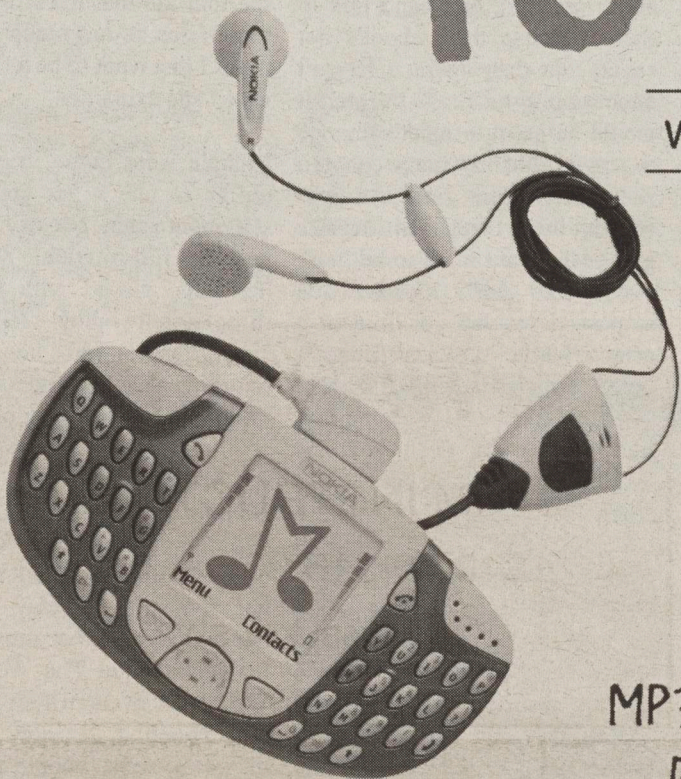
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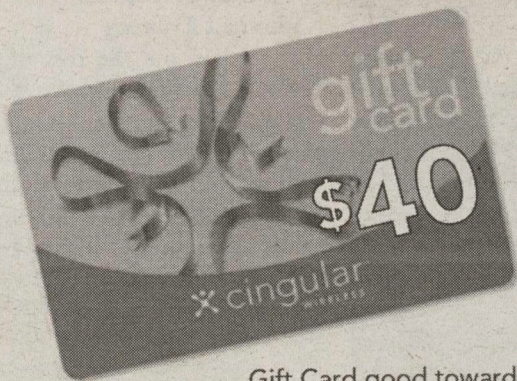
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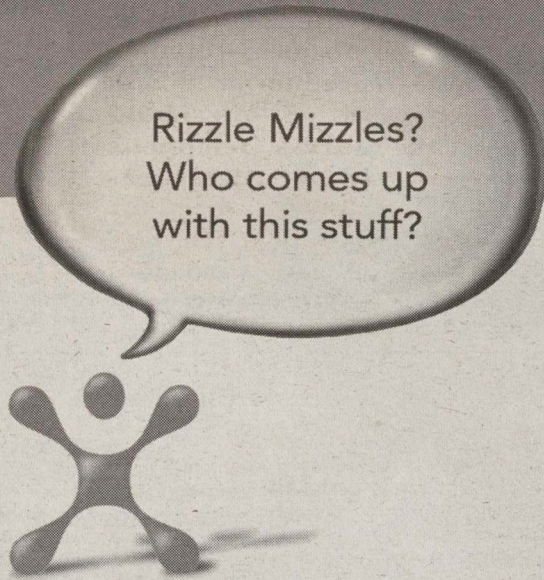
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A Day in the Life of: Nichole Hollick



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Shaken not stirred. Nichole serves up a cold drink to one happy customer.

By MICHELLE WILLS
Pride Staff Writer

Have you ever been sitting next to people in class, and stopped to wonder about their lives? Who are they? Do they share the same interests as you? What is college like for them? For the next few issues, I plan on interviewing random students here at CSUSM, and asking them those very same questions. You will get a chance to see what a normal day is like for other college students, and how they cope with their own home and college lives.

Who is Nichole Hollick?
Nichole Hollick is a twenty-one year old student at CSUSM who is majoring in English. She sits in my Tuesday, Thursday Literature class, and like me, is originally from Temecula Valley High School. We even graduated the same year. When asked about High School, she told me that she used to want to become a veterinarian. She joined a medical academy program in High School, but soon realized that it wasn't for her. "I was like why am I doing this? I wanted to be a veterinarian!" It was by the end of high school when she realized that she didn't want to be a veterinarian anymore. She was approached by a teacher, who suggested the idea of becoming a lawyer. She was intrigued by that. "I love to argue," she explained to me, "So I was like why not become a lawyer!" When asked why she is majoring in English when she wants to study law, she explained that one has to have a bachelor's degree first, then after that, they can go to law school.

A server, and a manager at her parent's restaurant La Paloma in vista, Nichole has worked for the restaurant all the years that they owned it, and for the last three years, it has been her only job while she goes to school. On the evening of our interview, I met Nichole at La Poloma, which means "the dove" in Spanish. She was not in yet, so I sat and waited. It wasn't very long before her mom came over and introduced herself to me. She shook my hand, and seated me at a table

in a corner. Nichole rushed by, apologizing, and explaining how she was trying to change, but she had gotten locked out of the women's employee bathroom. She suspected the guys who worked there of using it, because it was cleaner. Dressed warmer, and ready to do the interview, she began by telling me about her day.

Nichole's Love Life:
Nichole told me that she had read the articles in The Pride about speed dating, and people's frustrations with the dating scene at CSUSM, and agreed. "People are either married, or I can't talk to them because this school's not social, but then again, I haven't been going to most events. It would be great to meet someone at school, but my main concern is getting good grades. I was reading the articles, and was like god yes! I want there to be more events like that". Nichole used to party a lot, but got tired of it after a while. "I'm just a homebody in disguise. I like to meet someone who would like to just make dinner at home, or go to the beach. I try to fight it, but I'm just a homebody at heart."

Nichole's Day:
Nichole woke up at nine thirty on a Wednesday morning, and was tired because she had been up late working on homework. "Mornings are stressful for me because I can't get up", she said, "I will have to stand in the shower, then I at least have to do my hair because I don't want to look like a schmuck!" She checked her credit card statement online, but couldn't get the information she needed, and ended up being ten minutes late. Then she showered, styled her hair, and hurried out the door. Nichole had to park in a dirt parking lot, because the others were full. She hates the dirt parking lot. "I even broke my shoe one time!" she said. She lost her train of thought, as she looked across the room at some customers who had not yet been served. "It's hard being here (in her family restaurant) and not doing anything, I want to help."

Out of the dirt parking lot, and

on her way in to her biology class, she looked around for her crush. "I try to sit by the person that I like in Biology, but it never works!" Nichole laughed and said "Sometimes people sit by him, and I'm like don't sit there!" She feels like this class never participates enough, but she likes it because she enjoys group discussions. In the middle of class that day, Nichole began to feel sick. "I have an herbalist that we (her family) go to, and I realized that I hadn't taken my anti-stress pills. I had to leave and go home and take the pills." When asked why she takes herbal stress pills, she told me that the stress could sometimes be too much. "Sometimes I just want to be a fly on the wall," she explained.

Nichole went home, tried going online to check her credit card statement again, but still couldn't get the information. She took her pills, played with her new three-month tabby- Himalayan kitten, then left her house to go to the drycleaners, and to take her mother to an afternoon of tea.

An Afternoon of Tea
Nichole explained to me how she and her mother had been going to tea for several years now. For her mother's birthday, Nichole decided to treat her mother to a teahouse called The West Gate. When asked about going to tea, she explained, "I know it's kind of weird, most people don't do that. I don't remember why we first started going, but I like it. It's fun. It's something that you can do with a lot of women. I remember the first time I went, I was like going to tea, what?" After that, Nichole waited in the car, while her mother looked at shirts; then they drove to the restaurant to meet me.

A planned Evening
Nichole laid out the rest of her evening for me down to every homework assignment that she was going to do. When asked why she does so much planning she explained, "I have to. I thrive on having things planned. I like planning things!"

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10 Things to Know About Before You Buy A Car

By DIDI LUND
Pride Staff Writer

Ever heard that expression, "Buyer beware?" It's true, innocent car buyers often don't know where to start when buying a new car and are consequently talked into buying a car that doesn't satisfy them. An informed customer knows what he/she wants and what to expect when negotiating.

1 Know what you want. Many people buy cars before they have taken the time to do the research on what type of car is for them. If you plan on getting married and starting a family within the next few years, that new sporty convertible probably isn't the car for you. Likewise, that used V-8 pickup might not be a good choice if your gas consumption is on a limited budget.

2 Know the worth of your old car. To estimate the value of your vehicle, look up prices on websites such as KellyBlueBook.com or the classifieds in the local newspaper. Remember that one of the biggest profits for car dealers is their used car lot. Although it may take longer, selling your car directly makes you more money than trading it in.

3 Know whether new or used works best for you. Santiago Sierra, a salesperson for Hoehn Audi said, "Are you willing to take a risk buying a used car from a private individual or play it safer by buying from a dealer or do you not want to have any trouble whatsoever and buy a new car?" Although used cars are more affordable, oftentimes the condition of the vehicle is unknown and the car is no longer under warranty. With cars that have a high retail value, it may even be cheaper to buy a new car.

4 Know whether leasing or buying is best for you. If you plan on turning in your car in 2 or 3 years, leasing would definitely be more practical than buying a car. However, commuters find the mileage limitations a burden and people who enjoy adding modifications to their car are either penalized or unable to receive extra monetary value when they return the car.

5 Know what you want to pay for the car. Negotiating is the most important part of buying or leasing a car. Be assertive and realistic in the price you want to pay. Get bids from several different dealers, including internet sales sites such as CarsDirect.com. Hussain Mahrous, President of the San Diego chapter of Wild Horses Mustang Club said, "Pick a car that you want that's within your price range and don't let dealers push you around. Set a goal on how much you're willing to pay and don't let a dealer screw you over."

6 Know your credit. Check your credit union or local bank to find the lowest rates on loans. A pre-approved loan will provide added confidence when haggling over the price of the car. Make sure you have a realistic idea of your credit. Jackie, Finance Director at Cush Mazda said "It is beneficial

to know your credit so you have an idea when the dealer discusses APR rates and the down payment of the fairness of the rates you're offered." You can get your credit report online from equifax.com, or truecredit.com.

7 Know the best time to buy a car. Clark Overstreet, a car salesman veteran of 15 years, said, "One of the best times to buy a car is the end of the year because generally that's the time dealers are getting rid of cars and offering discounts." New models are often delivered between August and October. Dealers, anxious to rid their inventory of the old models, usually discount cars during this time.

8 Know the qualities of the car. Alan Talebi, Acura car salesperson said, "Look at the quality of

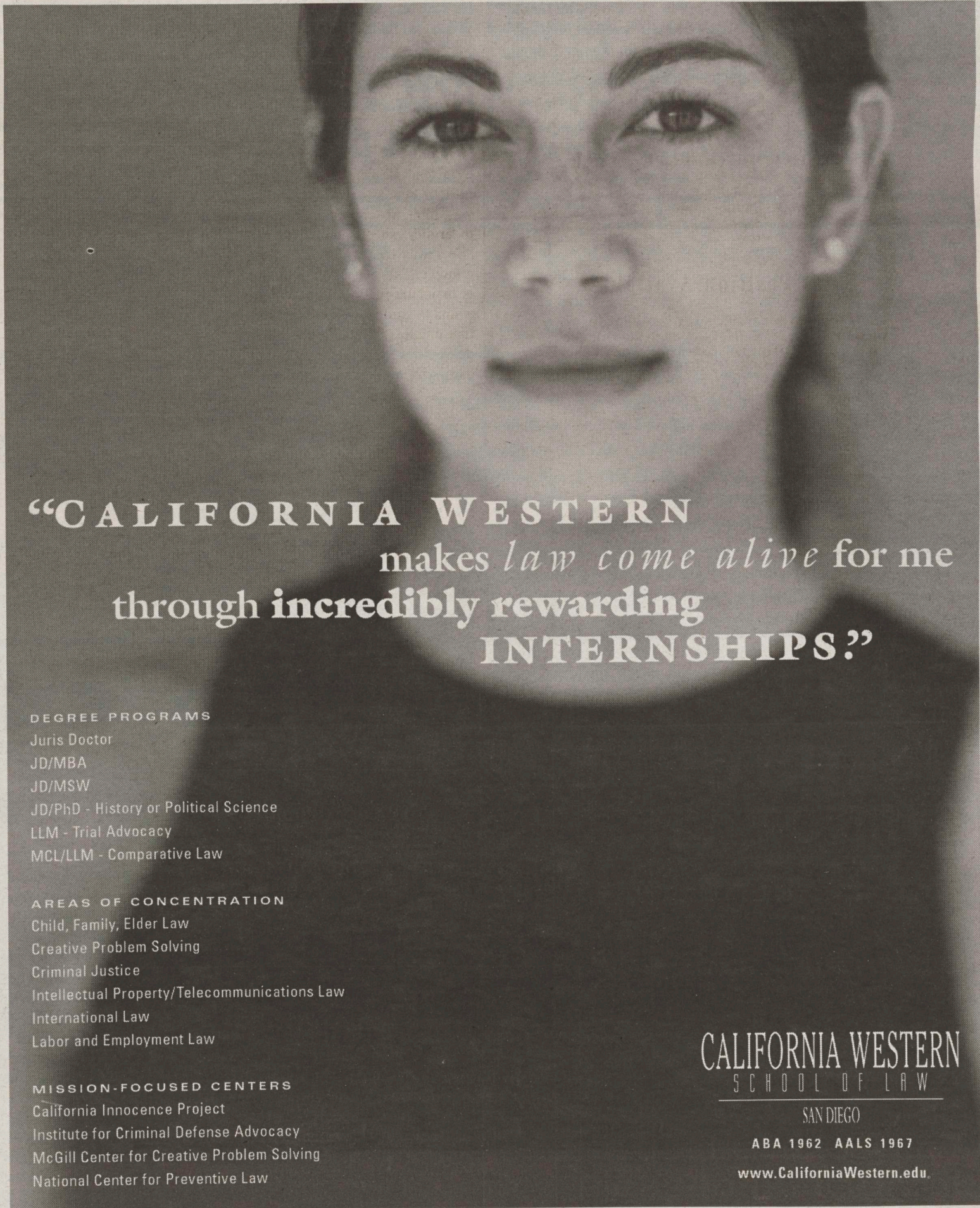
the car you're going to get, look at consumer reports. Compare mechanical performance and the reliability of the car. Also, look into the performance and safety and rate it in terms of what's important to you." According to Talebi, it is essential that consumers understand what qualities are valuable to them. The New Car Assessment Program (NCAP) rates cars in terms of safety while magazines such as *Car and Driver* contain numerous articles on performance.

9 Know the reliability of the car. According to Sierra, "Once you know what type of car you want, you should look at consumer reports for history of reliability." Consumer guides rank car reliability and should be included when doing research on a vehicle. JDPower.com, a site that has been described as the Ralph Nader of

the car business, rates vehicles based on experiences from actual owner experiences.

10 Know how the car business profits from you. Dealers typically make money in three ways: from the trade in, the new car, and the after-market sales such as extended warranties and body kits. Car dealerships receive rank and rewards based on volume and annual increase in sales; they want to sell their cars.

By researching the type of car and deciding on how much to pay for it, you should be prepared to stand your ground and haggle with the best of them. Knowledge of the car and of what you want is the key to being a satisfied consumer.



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Ombudsman's Notes

By MICHAEL DOLAN
Pride Ombudsman

There is quite a bit of news happening right now in California from the recall of Governor Davis and the election of Arnold Schwarzenegger to the labor dispute between the United Food Commercial Workers and their management at local grocery stores. These are hot topics that which people have strong opinions particularly because they are politically and ideologically charged. With that being said, The Pride is resolved to provide a balance on these and other important issues.

These are issues that should encourage, if not demand, reader feedback. In doing some research into other ombudsman columns in major papers, it is obvious that it is quite difficult to keep everyone content with coverage that is provided. This is an unfortunate consequence of news reporting on issues that are divisive. Some readers go as far as to dig out an undertone in articles which they believe proves a bias favoring one side or the other.

I have not received any complaints accusing The Pride of political alliances or choos-

ing favorites, but it is possible. We, of course, do not have the reader base of a major city newspaper. Therefore, the number of responses I receive is limited, but all the while crucial since The Pride is here to provide information to the readers.

Since there are many issues that affect us all if for no other reason than geographic proximity, I want to know your thoughts on them and your comments on our coverage. The email, as always, is dolan005@csusm.edu.

Corrections for Vol. XI No. 5

In the article "Adventure Center has fun ... Wanna Play," the first quote made by Laurence Bolotin is in reference to the Adventure Center not the Clarke Field House.

Also in this article, the phone number for the Adventure Center is incorrect. The correct number is (760) 750-6009.

In the article "May I Take Your Order," the photograph of the San Marcos Brewery and Grill incorrectly identifies it as the San Marcos Bar and Grill.

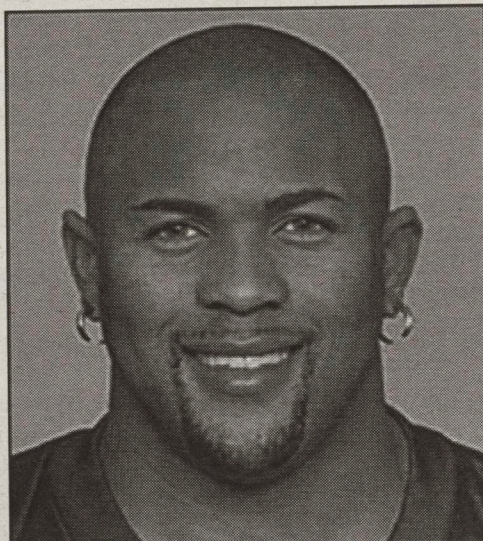
The caption for the Blue Angels photo misspells the word Mirimar, it should be Miramar.

Sports Editorial: David Boston

By TIM JOHNSON
Pride Staff Writer

San Diego Chargers wide receiver David Boston made an impressive showing on Sunday's 21-27 loss to the Jacksonville Jaguars with 181 receiving yards, 12 catches and two touchdowns. He also apologized to the team, coaches, fans, and franchise about his behavior since he signed with The Chargers on a seven year contract. This does not mean that Boston won't strike at the bolts again.

He has already been suspended for simply not showing respect or dedication to the team. He missed important team meetings that players were required to attend. He lost his temper and yelled at members of



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DAVID BOSTON

the coaching staff. This suspension was enforced during the Raiders game, forcing Coach Marty Schottenheimer to start wide receivers with little or no NFL experience.

If Boston does not throw a fit or decides to show up to team

meetings, he may also get hurt. Boston missed the game against The Broncos because he hurt his heel. Boston has a past history of feeling pain which includes a knee injury while playing for the Arizona Cardinals. If Boston does not get a new injury, the old ones

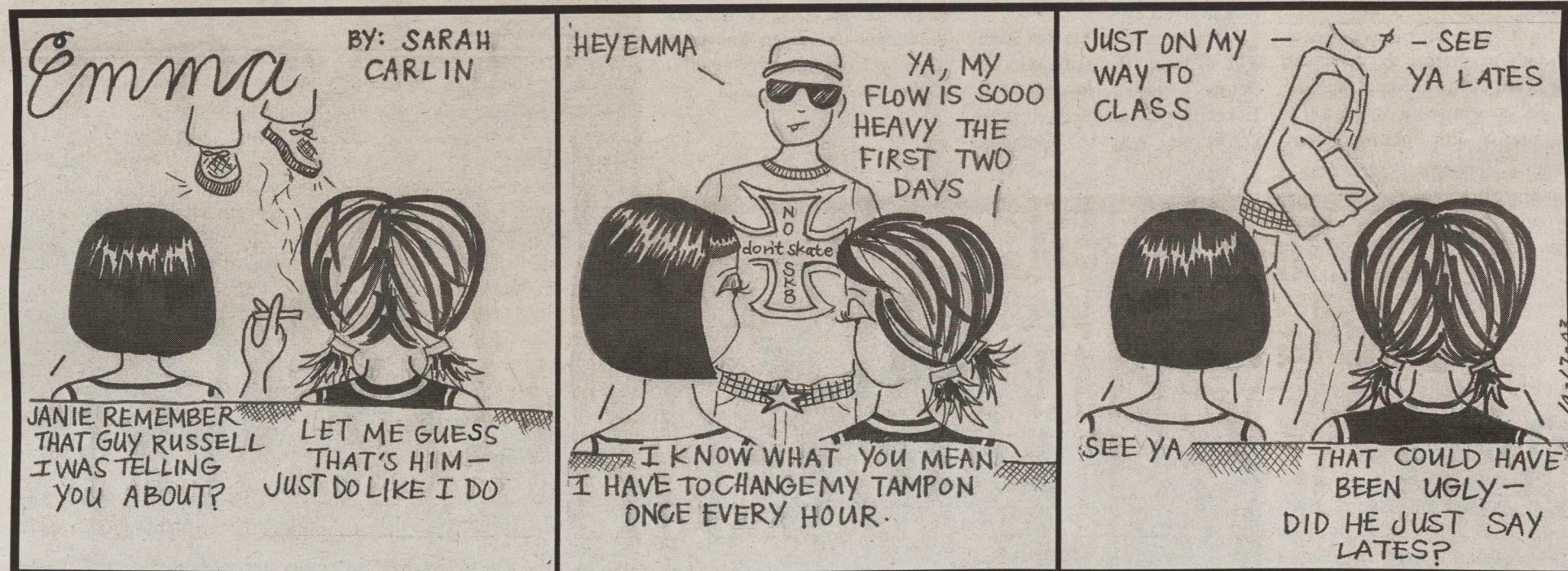
may always come back to effect his game.

While playing with the Arizona Cardinals Boston had two D.U.I.'s. He did not learn from his first experience and got a second, meaning he may get more D.U.I.'s in the future. The Chargers will not let that slide and take disciplinary action. This may take him out of more games, practices and helping the bolts get into the winners bracket.

Boston has plenty of talent and muscles to be a great football player, however, has an attitude and hard head to be another Ryan Leaf. Let's hope that Boston is not compared to the unsatisfying quarterback when all is said and done and just helps the Chargers get a few wins this season.

PICK-UP from page 1

San Marcos Fire Department crews arrived within minutes at the scene. They cut the door open and pulled the unconscious driver out onto a stretcher. A fire-ambulance sped from the scene minutes later.



Letters To The Editor

Why Attack The Corporations?

In response to Leila Granahan's opinion article I simply would like to say good for the Corporations. I hope CSUSM continues to contract private industries because without their taxes we would not have any funding to get an education at the low price that we all pay.

If we really wanted to fix our budget problem for our campus we should privatize the university allowing fiscally responsible people to make cuts where necessary instead of the horrible government employee mismanagement that we see

today. I'm glad the College Republicans brought a car show on campus; it is a free advertisement for corporations who help the community with jobs and tax revenue to the State. It is also something fun. I enjoyed the show and got to look at some of the new American V-8s. It's nice to dream of getting a better car, supporting the American car industry and of course our community.

Nicholas Bonomi
CSUSM Student

An Approach for the Women

I think women on the campus don't realize how unapproachable they are. I am in upper division classes and it seems that almost every other woman is married. Then the ones that don't have a ring on, you have no idea whether or not they have a boyfriend. For a lot of guys they don't want to be disrespectful and just start hitting on a girl without knowing if she has a boyfriend or not. Then I have heard a lot of women say that all they want is a nice guy, but usually it is not the nice guy that is going to walk up and hit on you. He is going to be the

one that sits in class and just talks to you and asks you how your weekend was. What guys are looking for varies between guys but most guys are not looking for a supermodel. They might be nice to look at but men do want someone who is an equal and just someone they can have fun with.

I am a 22 year old single male on campus and I am not looking for the superficial girl. I am looking for someone to go out dancing with or watch a movie with or just go out to dinner and talk. I think women expect too much out of the men on

campus and if they are frustrated about not meeting good guys they should start approaching men. Most of the men I have talked think it is much easier when a woman approaches them. So if you ladies are really looking for someone, start going up to the guys and talk to them. You just might be surprised.

Sean Eagan
CSUSM Student

Frightmare on Marketstreet



Photos by Elizabeth Baldwin/The Pride

Ghouls & skeletons ready to scare all who are brave enough to venture downtown.

By SHARON BAYRON
Pride Staff Writer

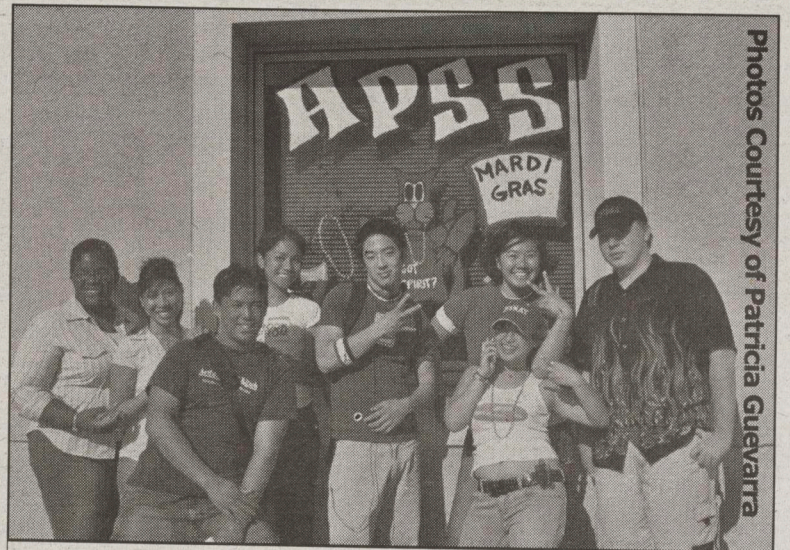
Those looking for a truly thrilling evening need look no further than Frightmare on Market Street in downtown San Diego. Located in the heart of the Gas Lamp District, Frightmare on Market Street is as chilling as its name implies. People of all ages are lining up, anxiously awaiting to be scared, and indeed, Frightmare delivers.

A ghostly, emaciated gatekeeper wishes its participants "good luck" as they descend into a dungeon like hole. The screams of the brave group already navigating the maze can be heard at the entrance, adding to the suspense in the air. A mixture of dim lighting, bloody

figures, and dense fog all feed the apprehension of the unsuspecting crowds. Around each corner lies a frightening surprise, and each step leads into a different horrific scene. The groups of people that enter this haunted labyrinth may enter individually. Most groups exit the maze intertwined and linked at the arms, gripping their unknown neighbor with a panicked clutch. As the maze progresses, the scenes become increasingly intense, and by the time the maze ends, thrill seekers are literally running up the exit stairs and into the safety of the well lit street above.

Frightmare on Market Street will run for the remainder of October until November 1. Tickets for the haunted maze are \$12.99 and may be purchased

directly at the box office on Market Street, or online at www.frightmareonmarketstreet.com, and group rates are available at the online site. Frightmare runs Friday and Saturday, from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. and Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. During the weekends, this attraction becomes fairly crowded, so those planning to buy tickets at the box office should plan to get there early. If the line to get in looks discouraging, don't worry. Music is provided by local radio stations outside while you wait. Also beware of the occasional bloody ghoul who has been known to come up from "underground" to startle unsuspecting guests.



Photos Courtesy of Patricia Guevarra

Members of APSS show their spirit during homecoming week.

Broaden Your Culture:

Visit the APSS History of Filipino Culture Celebration

By LISA GEORGE
Features Editor

India, Iran, Iraq, Pacific Islands, Phillipines, China, Indonesia, Uzbekistan, Pakistan, Cambodia, Vietnam, Korea...the countries don't stop there. Each of these countries' customs and history is celebrated here by the Asian Pacific Student Society. Comprised of CSUSM students, this student group is inviting YOU to come celebrate Mabuhay Ma Mabuyah, Filipino for "Very Much Alive" with them THIS Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 in the Dome Plaza. This event is dedicated to celebrating the history of the Filipino culture which will be delivered through a speaker talking about one of the four waves of Filipinos coming to the United States. Come for the live entertainment you may not see anywhere else: cultural dances, contemporary groups, vendors and food! Make sure to talk to Trish Guevara, the President of APSS, Jessica Canonizado, the VP, or Joseph Cerro, board member and long time APSS activist. Not only does this event offer educational entertainment it also serves as a chance for you to invest your interest in celebrating cultures of all kinds

from the other side of the world! "APSS is for everyone," said Joseph Cerro.

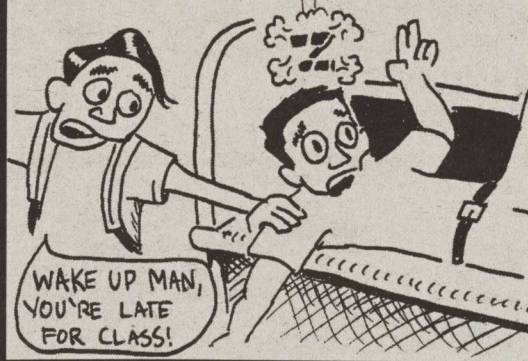
Come out on Thursday, October 23 from 11:30-1:30 pm and celebrate with this growing group of students. This is a terrific opportunity to meet people, have a great time, and find out about the cultures of your classmates, neighbors, and friends, even those you haven't met yet!

If you are unable to attend the celebration, come to their meeting Thursday in ACD 406 from 3-4:20. These meetings will serve to broaden your understanding and heighten your interest in the vast different cultures in Asia as well as offer opportunities to make your mark at CSUSM. The meetings are weekly. Starting in November the meetings will diversify their meeting dates to offer ample opportunities for those unable to attend Thursday's afternoon meeting. The meetings will soon be held the first and third Thursdays as well as the second and fourth Wednesdays from 3-4:30.

Seize the opportunity. Come out this Thursday and enjoy yourself with the members of APSS.

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Urban Bush Woman: Hair Stories to be Performed at CSUSM



Courtesy of www.csusm.edu/arts_lecture

By MICHELLE WILLS
Pride Staff Writer

Urban Bush women was founded in 1984, and is an award-winning dance troupe which has performed in the U.S., Latin American, and other countries. The dance troop

combines dance, music, and storytelling with the sacred traditions, cultural heritage, and immense history of African Americans, and African people worldwide.

Choreographer Jawole Willa Jo Zollar, founded Urban Bush Women in

1980. Since then, she has created almost 40 dances, including her choreography for Urban bush Women, and her creation of HairStories.

According to the Urban Bush Women website, HairStories is a production which "explores the

concept of nappy hair and its relationship to images of beauty, social position, heritage and self-esteem."

The production also focuses on the intense debate in the African American community about the politics of hair. HairStories was

inspired by moments in the choreographer's own life, as she herself battled with these very same issues.

The group is going to perform excerpts from one of their famous works entitled HairStories here at CSUSM on November 10 at

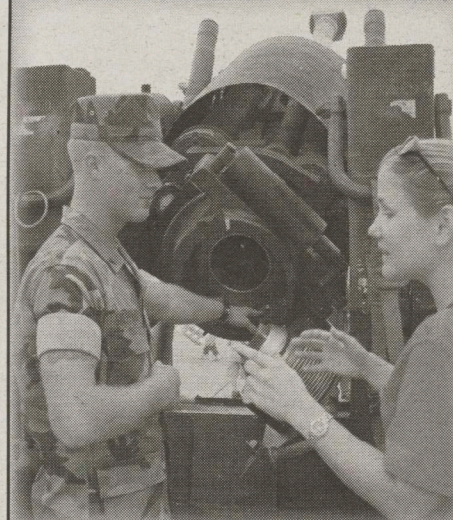
6:00 pm in the Arts center, room 111. Seating is limited, and it is first come, first serve, so get there early. For

more information on the event visit www.csusm.edu/arts_lecture/

48th Annual Miramar Air Show



Photos by Nicole Sullivan/The Pride



By NICOLE SULLIVAN
Pride Staff Writer

What a sight to see! The 48th annual Miramar Air Show took place this weekend. The theme of the show was Kitty Hawk to Miramar: 100 years of flight. There were plenty of things to do at the show, with over 100 aircraft on display and 23 different civilian and military performances in the sky.

Civilian planes, military helicopters, jets and ground force were all displayed for public viewing. Jerry, 23 year old in the Naval Reserve said, "I am proud to be here and it's amazing to see all this aircraft up-close."

Tanks and Hummers, M-16 rifles, radars, missile launchers and bombs were all present at the show and available for viewing. Spectators could try on camouflaged vests, helmets and belts. They could climb in and

out of tanks and walk through every kind of aircraft. All branches of the military displayed aircraft or defense machinery for the public to see.

Spectator, Krystal Emery, was there for the first time. She brought her husband and three kids. Emery was well pleased

Oracle 'Challenger.'

The military jets on display ranged from F-14's to F-18's, an Apache helicopter, a C-5A Galaxy (refueling plane), a B-1 Bomber to a replica of the Spirit of St. Louis. There was also a mock model of the 'Joint Strike Fighter' jet that

will be in all the branches starting



with the show and said it met her expectations and was a lot of fun. Her 8 year old daughter, Mikayla said, "I like the parachuters. I also like the jets because they rumble."

Civilian pilot, Patty Wagstaff, was adventurous in her "Extra 300S" plane. While pilot, Sean D. Tucker displayed daredevil tactics and stunts in his

in 2009. It has stealth capabilities and will replace some of the jets.

Chris McManus, a 25 year resident of Mira Mesa, has been spectator at the show for the last 23



years. "It's a family tradition to bring my two sons to the show; unfortunately they couldn't make it today." McManus has seen the show, the transportation and the exhibits change over the years for the better. He said he loves the hardware and the changes in technology that have taken place. "It's great to see where my tax dollars are going. I am able to come and touch the plane and know that's where my money has gone."

Jeff Dickstein has attended two air shows in Miramar and four in El Toro. He said, "This show keeps getting better and better." He also said the crowd, parking and cost of food "come with the territory."

