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TODAY’S WEATHER
Party Cloudy High 86°

TOMORROW
Party Cloudy High 74°

SUNDAY
Sunny High 74°

TODAY’S SURF
1-2 ft. Occasional 3 ft. Fair conditions

WATERTEMP 84°

TIDE: High 1045 pm, 323 ft. low 1105 pm, 362 ft. high 1215 am, 346 ft. low 420 am, 387 ft.

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DIVERSE TALKS AT SDSU
Students and faculty from San Diego State and members of the surrounding community met on a hot Saturday at the Aztec Center for the Diverse Pathways to Student Success conference. The conference brought together students, faculty and agents from across campus to discuss issues surrounding gender, race, ethnicity and inequality. The first conference of its kind at SDSU, it is a good starting point for bringing these issues to light, according to SDSU President Karen Gill.

“We have issues that we’re faced with, and we’re going to talk about them,” she said. “We’re not going to solve anything today, but let’s begin the discussion. Let’s put it out there and try to move forward.”

The day was filled with speakers and panel discussions, and included a unique roundtable lunch in which participants picked up sandwiches at one of 15 tables, each of which hosted a presenter leading a discussion on diversity-related topics.

“The presentation given by graduate student Dr. Gregg Lichtenstein, medical sirector of San Arnold’s e-mail also included an official statement regarding the situation from Chipotle president and CEO Monty Moran.

“The health and safety of our customers and employees is our top priority,” Moran said. “We have the highest standards for all of our food preparation and food handling procedures, and began cooperating immediately with local health authorities.”

Dr. Gregg Lichtenstein, medical director of San Diego State’s Student Health Services, advises any student who ate at the restaurant between March 1 and April 22, or have eaten there that a Hepatitis A vaccine may have eaten there now because if they were going to have the Hepatitis infection, they would have already had it.

A memo from Lichtenstein notes that if you have eaten at the restaurant recently, be aware of these symptoms: fatigue, abdominal discomfort, dark urine, light-colored stools, headaches, jaundice, vomiting, diarrhea, itching or jaundice.

“If you are not ill, but have eaten at this Chipotle between April 10 and April 22, you should receive an immunization with Hepatitis A vaccine,” Lichtenstein said in the memo. “Persons with a history of hepatitis A disease, who have completed an HAV series, or have had at least one dose of Hepatitis A vaccine at least one month prior to exposure, do not require prophylaxis.”

There are no official word yet on what has caused the Hepatitis A outbreak. Food borne Hepatitis A is usually transmitted through fecal contamination or direct contact with an infected person.

The exposure has been limited to the La Mesa restaurant, located at 900 Fletcher Plaza, so students should feel safe dining at other Chipotle restaurants.

For more information, contact SHS at (619) 594-5058.

A.S. BRIEF
Presentation on racism sparks debate
Students from the Multicultural Caucus spoke to the council about racism at San Diego State, which led to a discussion on the specifics of discrimination.

The presentation given by graduate student Lauren Kollar was about the racism rooted in the functioning of SDSU, which upset some council members. A debate about semantics ensued and continued until Associated Students President James Poet ended the discussion because of time constraints.

Sustainability Board starts off right
The newest board to be awarded a spot on A.S. council, the Green Love sustainability board, had its first meeting last week. Vice President of Finance and head of Green Love Justin Monika said it was a great success. About 40 people attended the first meeting, and numbers are expected to increase in future meetings.

Finals Study Lounge returns
The annual CASE Midnight Study Break will be held on May 12 at Aztec Center. Students can show their Red ID to get a free breakfast from 9 p.m. to midnight while they study for finals.

Compiled by Staff Writer Alanna Berman

BRING YOUR VIDEO CAMERA ... AND SOME TAPE
The New England Patriots made a surprise pick in the third round of the 2008 NFL Draft yesterday, taking former San Diego State quarterback Kevin O’Connell with the 94th overall selection. See page 5 for details.

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INSIDE TODAY
RUTHIE KELLY
Imprinting people before educating them

English

President Stephen Weber wrote in a budget memorandum to the SJSU faculty: “We play a major role in the state’s workforce. If we don’t do it, no one else will. The state will be losing $500 million. As a result, student fees have gone up by nearly 70 percent since 2002.”

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I was lucky enough to remain in America. This belief is supported by the racism that America is founded on the idea that communication in English.

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The majority of states have their own three-strike laws, making it harder to see what these policies are doing. In a 2005 study, researchers found that even as the incarceration rate in the US has increased, the recidivism rate has remained relatively constant. This suggests that the three-strike laws may not be as effective as intended, and that other factors may be at play. However, it is important to note that these findings are based on a large sample size and further research is needed to fully understand the impact of these laws. Therefore, it is crucial that we reevaluate and revise our current criminal justice policies to ensure they are effective and just.

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If students aren’t receptive to the immersive programs, this can lead to a decrease in academic performance. Immersion programs are crucial for the success of language minority students. As a whole, education favors immediate results. Time must be taken to foster an environment of support and understanding where students are encouraged to learn. Immersion programs are necessary for a successful learning environment. If students aren’t receptive to the immersive programs, they may not be motivated to learn. This is why bilingual education and proper training of such instructors are fundamental for the success of language minority students.

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A 18-year-old from Louisiana pleaded guilty on Friday to hanging nooses from the back of his truck in September. There was a picture, taken some time before, of the truck driving near “Jena 6” protesters.

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A man was killed while walking along a stretch of Palomar Mountain Road Friday morning by a supposed drug deal involving a shark. The victim, 66-year-old David Martin, was swimming with members of a surf club 150 yards offshore near Fletcher Cove, when his legs were bitten. Martin survived, and San Diego County’s last confirmed shark attack was in 1994. North County beaches were closed to swimming and surfing for the weekend.

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They should be ashamed. The cuts to California’s college and university funding coupled with a rejection of additional funding to prevent student fees from rising 10 percent, means...KELLY

But if you’re imagining a pan-American classroom, you’re imagining something very different...KELLY

In 1984 and 2004, the state’s population increased by about 35 percent, according to the 1990 and 2000 censuses. If we look at this data arithmetically, we see that the public university spending only increased by 18 percent, as opposed to the population swelling, which grew by a ridiculous 205 percent. The Bee explains that higher education is the only major part of the state budget to grow slower than the population. State spending per person for prisons increased by about 26 percent, but declined by 12 percent for universities — the only major part of the budget that actually decreased in proportion to population.

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Ruthie Kelly is a journalism junior and a staff columnist.

This column does not necessarily reflect the opinion of The Daily Aztec...
The art of commitment

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s I sat there trying to make sense of his words, all I could do was laugh. I mean seri-
ously, this guy was getting bad because I didn’t want to commit after two months of “dat-
ing.” The whole situation was ironic in my mind.

At one point or another most of us will fall into a “sort-of relationship.” One person will hope that his partner agrees that there will never be an official relationship, while the other individual will be wishing that the person who doesn’t want to commit will have a change of heart and end up wanting the title.

In my mind, the whole situation was ironic because I didn’t want to get hurt.

“Monday, April 28, 2008

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Imagine receiving a text from your significant other that reads, “It’s over, it’s me. BTW, we r thru.”

Your reaction might be something along the lines of “OMG! Did he/she really just send me that text? I can’t believe he/she just broke up with me through a text.”

Believe it or not, some people think that ending a relationship via text message is OK.

Whatever happened to breaking up on the phone or breaking up face-to-face? Technology is officially taking the dating world by storm and relationships are starting – and ending – without any verbal communication.

Recently, Chase Crawford from the hit show “Gossip Girl” broke up with American Idol Carrie Underwood via text message. In 2006, Britney Spears even texted Kevin Federline that she wanted to get a divorce. High-profiles are putting break-up texting in the spotlight, but they aren’t the only ones getting broken up with by text – it’s happening to everyday people.

According to a Google collaboration with Nielsen Online survey, 1 in 3 males consider “break-up e-mails” as neutral to good e-mail etiquette, whereas only 1 in 7 females agree. In the same survey, 8 percent of men and 6 percent of women have broken up with someone by e-mail.

Times are changing and our communication is being replaced by the Internet and text messages. With e-mail, texting and networking Web sites becoming a part of our everyday lives, breaking up through technology is becoming a trend.

People are taking advantage of iPhones and BlackBerry’s by using them to escape uncomfortable situations. People who send text messages about unpleasant situations are avoiding confrontation.

The people behind the break-up text have many excuses. For some, they want to be in control of the conversation and won’t take no for an answer. For others, figuring out what to say is hard, so it goes them time to think of, they simply say they don’t want to see the person hurt.

At the rate society is moving, it won’t be long until some people are breaking up via Facebook wall posts: “Hey Babe, we’re breaking up. Sorry.” If you’ve had more than three dates with someone, you owe them the courtesy of a phone call to end the relationship at the very least. It’s always better to talk in person and let them down with thoughtful consideration.

However, if circumstances don’t allow you to talk in person, then breaking up over the phone is the next acceptable option.

Breaking up with someone via text message is a cowardly move. If you’re a victim of a text-break-up, delete the sender’s number pronto and be happy that you didn’t waste any more time.

Let’s keep it old school and break hearts the old-fashioned way.
**BASEBALL**

Starting pitcher J.R. Murphy had a tough Saturday, allowing six runs on seven hits in just 3 2/3 innings.

The San Diego State softball team's hopes for a conference title were soaring higher than a Megan McDonald fly ball this past weekend in the thin Utah air.

Unfortunately for SDSU, its hopes were caught in the warming crack. The Aztecs fell behind early and were unable to regain control.

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Murphy wasn't the only SDSU hurler to struggle on the mound Saturday as freshmen Michael Dixon and Brett Miller both went in with two hits to accompany a solid in Mountain West Conference play) and a home game behind the Horned Frogs who sit at 1-1 with TCU in Mountain West Conference play) and a home game behind the Horned Frogs who sit at 16-5.

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Thorpe's top pitchers.

SDSU pitching gives up 16 runs on 16 hits in a battle for first place against TCU

**SDSU 5

TCU 16

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BID FOR COACH’S FOURTH LEAGUE FINAL FALLS SHORT

SDSU gets swept in second round of Mountain West Conference Tournament

Matt Arnold, Staff Writer

The San Diego State men’s tennis team has been quite comfortable as king of the mountain. Since head coach Gene Carswell took over the program in 2003, SDSU has reached the finals of the Mountain West Conference tournament three times. That tournament success has been used to solidify the Aztecs’ place in the NCAA Tournament five times.

However, this year’s lofty expectations have been thwarted by injuries, team suspensions and a torrent of five-match losing streak to end the regular season. On Friday at the Mountain West Conference Championships, their luck didn’t change as SDSU lost big leads and squandered scoring chances.

“We fought hard and had some good opportunities in doubles,” Mattera said. “All of the doubles matches were very close. We had a pretty good size lead at number three but we just couldn’t finish it off.”

“It was close. It was competitive, but we just couldn’t finish it off,” Mattera said. “I think this program is a national power. We’re used to going to the postseason and we’re used to being ranked as one of the best teams in the country. So, no, we can’t look at this season as a success.

“The Aztecs finished the season with a disappointing 11-13 record — one that will leave a bad taste in Manero’s mouth for the rest of the offseason.

“This season was not a successful one for us,” Mattera said. “I think this program is a national power. We’re used to going to the postseason and we’re used to being ranked as one of the best teams in the country. So, no, we can’t look at this season as a success.

“I just hope we got all of our bad luck out of the way in one year.”

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WOMEN’S TENNIS

Cadua’s injury stalls SDSU in quest for a MWC victory

Esther Cadua’s leg cramp meant more to the San Diego State women’s tennis team than just losing one of their best players.

“Before (Cadua’s) cramping, we both felt very confident in her chances to win her match,” head coach Peter Mattera said. “But, the cramp started at her foot but slowly spread up her leg. I got so bad that, by 2-2 in the second set, she could barely even walk on it, let alone play. She was a warrior and she wanted to keep going, but health and well-being of an athlete comes first and she was just unable to continue.”

Like Cadua, the Aztecs fought hard but weren’t able to pull it out as they fell to New Mexico 4-2 at the Mountain West Conference Championships on Thursday.

“It was close, it was competitive, but we just came up short,” Mattera said. “We also had an injury, which probably hurt our chances. So, in a lot of ways, it was a lot like our season. Close, but no cigar.”

Cadua, who received all-MWC honors earlier in the day, had to be pulled by Mattera, coming off SDSU’s valuable point.

The injury was not the only thing that hurt the Aztecs in Fort Worth, Texas. In doubles, SDSU lost big leads and squandered scoring chances.

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Hepatitis A Outbreak in San Diego

We have received word from the San Diego County Department of Health & Human Services that at least 6 people who dined at the Chipotle Restaurant at 8805 Fletcher Parkway in La Mesa have become ill with Hepatitis A. They ate at the restaurant between March 1 and April 22. If you ate at the restaurant during this time, we recommend the following:

1. If you are ill with fatigue, abdominal discomfort, dark urine, light-colored stool, headache, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, itching, or jaundice (turning yellow), you should be evaluated for hepatitis at Student Health Services (students only) or your private health care provider (students, faculty and staff).

2. If you are not ill, but have eaten at this Chipotle between April 10 and April 22, you should receive an immunization with Hepatitis A vaccine. This immunization must be given within 2 weeks of exposure in order to provide protection. Persons with a history of hepatitis A disease, who have completed an HAV series, or have had at least one dose of Hepatitis A vaccine at least one month prior to exposure do not require prophylaxis. Student Health Services’ Immunization Clinic has a limited amount of this vaccine available for students at $23 per dose. For maximum immunity, you will need two doses of this vaccine.

3. If you have been at this restaurant between March 1 and April 22, but have not been ill, but if you are curious if you may have been infected with Hepatitis A, you may request a Hepatitis A antibody level at Student Health Services (students only) or your private health care provider (students, faculty and staff).

If a student falls into one of the above groups, and would like to make arrangements to be seen at Health Services, please call 619-594-5058.

Sincerely,

Your Health Care Providers at SHS
HUMOR

The biggest fool: puka

Remember seventh grade? Hawaiian print was cool, butterfly hair clips were a must-have, and puka shells were worn on every neck. That was about seven years ago. Thankfully, I haven’t seen anyone less than 40 wearing Hawaiian print lately, and the butterfly clips have stayed in the junior high hallways. So why is it that recently I have seen different people wearing puka shells again? Are the shells trying to make a comeback? I hope not.

It’s not that the shells themselves are ugly. They really aren’t. It’s just that when they are put on a necklace, I can’t stand them. They’re better on a table, or at the bottom of the ocean.

I would much rather see something ridiculous like parachute pants make a comeback. Actually, I feel the parachute-pant trend wouldn’t be so ridiculous. Pants make a comeback. That thing ridiculous like parachute bottoms of the ocean.

It’s just that when they are put on, I would steal an…OK, getting way too far. I would credit Samantha Phillips for that one. And yes, she made me type her whole name because she’s always wanted her name in the paper.) Congress Sam, you made us.

Oddly enough (this is actually not hard to believe at all), Sarah got bonus points in our little game for making the observation that ALL of the people sporting puka shells also had head-blonde tips.

I would elaborate on this but I would take a whole new article. So, let’s just put the bleached tips and puka shells in the category of “not OK.”

—Natalie Duchala is a journalism sophomore who may or may not be bringing wacky back.

OLD TOWN

ASSISTANT PHOTO EDITOR ANDREW Hulse captured this sunny shot of one of the towers of the Presidio in Old Town San Diego.

DAILY HOROSCOPE

Monday, April 28, 2008

MONDAY, APRIL 28 (04-28-08) Dreams

Today is a day when you make something you’ve been doing for a long time seem more important. (March 21 - April 19) Today is a day where you may or may not be blind, actually spotted three offenders. With puka shells making a hearty comeback on campus, it has to be asked. What is the motivation for wearing these? Maybe they want to look like a 12-year-old who just started taking staff lessons from a guy who goes by his Hawaiian name, Huna. Huna wears puka shells. That’s cool for him. Not for you. Or, people just don’t realize how wacky this is. (These shells are about as cool as me trying to bring back the word “wacky.”)

For the students at San Diego State, thanks for ruining our game by making it easier than framing Mary-Kate for Heath Ledger’s untimely death. Today is a day when you have everything you need, or you know to get it. (April 20 - May 20) Today is a level where you learn, the more you can contribute to your friends. They look to you for all the answers, so stay ahead of the pack. Do the homework. (May 21 - June 21) Today is a day when you have a little already mastered can raise your status a lot. This is your year, get another half credit.

LITE (June 22 - July 22) Today is a day where you sometimes have to spend money to get the best. A little already mastered can have captured your heart. This is good. It keeps the relationship steadily interesting.

WIGGLES (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Today is a day when you’re detained from meeting your long-term objectives. A lot of short-term, routine duties need your attention.

Don’t screw them up. This is your time to think. (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today is a day where you can always come up with another step as practical as you can. Don’t worry about anything. (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Today is a day where you can always come up with another step as practical as you can. Don’t worry about anything. (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is a day when you can always come up with another step as practical as you can. Don’t worry about anything. (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Today is a day where what you do doesn’t do any harm.

—Samantha Phillips is a journalism sophomore who may or may not be bringing wacky back.

SUDOKU

By MICHAEL MEMPHAM

Thursday, May 1

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