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he Statewide University Police Association, SUPA, recently raised concerns regarding the chief of CSUN's police department, and that school officers may be working excessive overtime.

The department has mandated overtime for all of its workers instead of hiring new officers, according to Jeff Solomon, president of SUPA.

"The problem with this chief is that she has all of these officers working so much overtime when she should be recruiting some part-time officers who can

overt i m e , according to SUPA.

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There are 23 sworn positions in CSUN's department of police. Thirteen of these positions are officers assigned to a 24-hour patrol for the 36,000-student campus and its 4,000 staff members.

Solomon also claims Glavin is not present enough on campus and is often out of state.

"Part of the problem with this chief is that she

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take on the overtime," Solomon said.

CSUN Police Chief Anne Glavin disputed these claims, saying her travel schedule is limited, and budget cuts have mandated the overtime hours, which help many officers make ends meet.

"My officers haven't had

Since July 1, there have

a raise since 2007, and hon-

estly, it's hard," Glavin said.

been more than 8,300 hours

spends most of the time out of state," Solomon said. "Our No. 1 concern is the responsibility that is given to these officers. I have not visited CSUN that often, but the few times I have been there, I've seen that the officers there are exhausted and overworked."

Solomon, who is also an officer at CSU Sacramento, said that his and other CSU campuses do not have this issue. Glavin has been the department's chief since July 2002, and is the president-elect of the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators.

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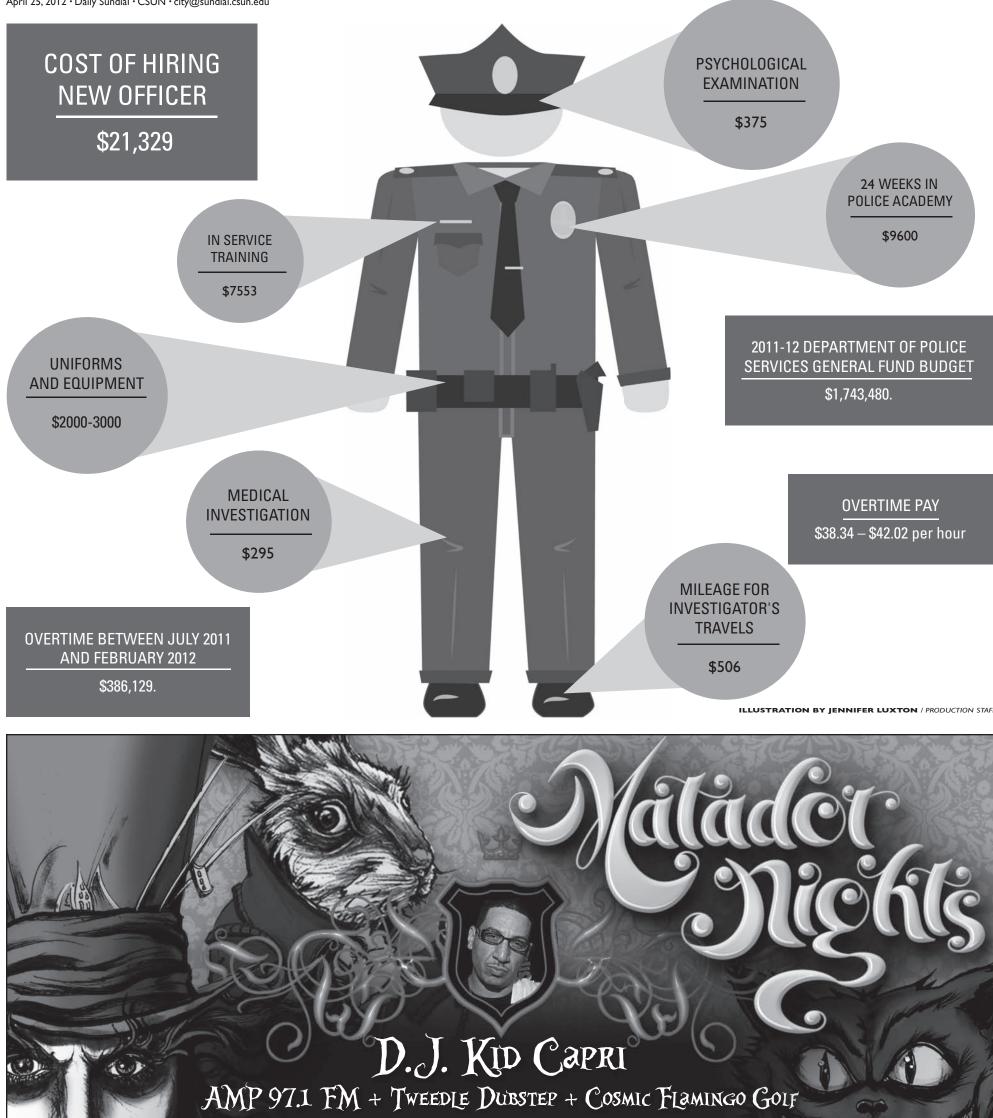
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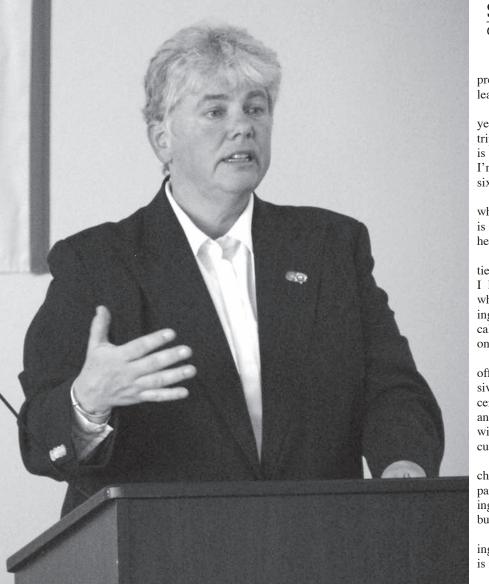
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CSUN Police Chief Anne Glavin lectures on the topic of sexual assault on campus on April II.

SUPA

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She said her position as president-elect requires her to leave out of state, but rarely.

"I travel three times a year," Glavin said. "Those trips last only two days. That is six days out of the year I'm not on campus - only six days."

Glavin also explained that when she leaves campus, she is still keeping in contact with her officers.

"I have two great deputies that are in charge when I leave." Glavin said. "And when I do, I am also sending them emails. I am always calling them, and I'm always on my iPad."

Glavin explained though officers have worked extensive overtime, there are officers who enjoy the overtime, and recruiting new officers will not happen due to budget cuts.

Solomon said it would be cheaper for Glavin to hire part-time officers than assigning overtime to these workers, but Glavin disagrees.

Officers get paid depending on their standing, which is referred to as steps.

After an applicant finishes the police academy they are a police officer in step 4, which pays a \$4,430 monthly rate. The highest step for an officer is step 8, which pays \$4,855.

An officer's benefits include health care benefits,

flexible benefits, income protection, survivor protection, time-off, retirement plans and additional CSU benefits.

The cost for hiring a new officer is about \$21,329 per applicant.

The expenses include a background check which costs \$506 plus any mileage for the investigator, a medical investigation for \$295, a psychological examination for \$375, the 24 weeks police academy for \$9,600, in-service training during first year of probation for \$7,553 and uniforms and equipment that ranges from \$2,000 to \$3,000.

Officers are paid between \$38.34 and \$42.02 hourly depending on their step rate, and work three 12 hour shifts a week at CSUN

According to Christina Villalobos, special assistant to the chief of police and public information officer, the CSU and SUPA have "negotiated a salary system that uses established increments in pay within a range, called 'steps,' for each classification "

New hires get paid within this step system that is based on their experience and education. Any movement through these steps must be agreed by the union and based on the officer's performance.

The department of police services' general fund budget for the year of 2011-12 is \$1,743,480.

"It would not be cheaper and it would not be better," Glavin said. "I would

rather have officers who are fully committed than parttime officers who might work elsewhere and may not work if they are called in from other areas."

Glavin also explained that CSUN PD does not hire any part-time officers, only fulltime.

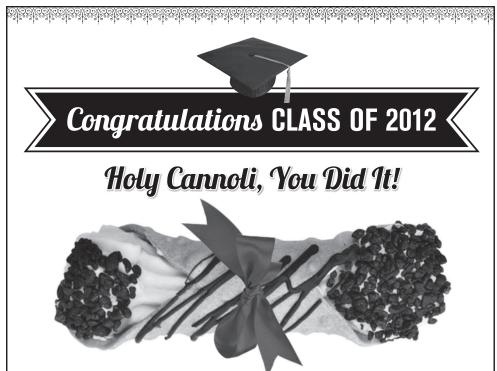
According to Villalobos, 45 officers have been working overtime between July 2011 and February for a grand total of \$386,129.

SUPA has also expressed their concern for the safety of the campus due to these issues.

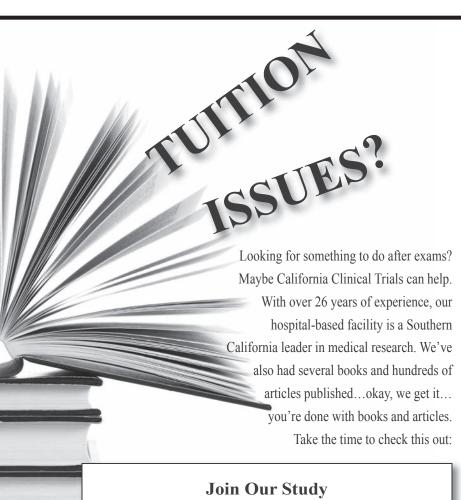
However, CSUN's statistical Comparison of Felony and Misdemeanor Offenses states that felonies have dropped 27 percent, misdemeanors have dropped 3 percent, and change and total offenses have dropped 3 percent between 2010 and 2011.

When asked whether the CSUN department of police services accomplishes their mission of keeping the campus safe, psychology major Rosa Torres explained that the department does the best it can.

"It has its moments, but I've had an experience where the officers could have shown up sooner. This woman was having a seizure and they showed up 15-20 minutes late," Torres said. "Those minutes can matter a lot in situations like that, but the officers really do the best they can."







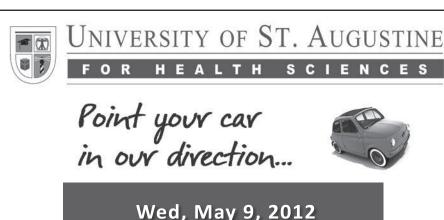
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Interest rates to double

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tudent interest rates are scheduled to double July 1 for subsidized Stafford loans unless Congress acts to halt the increase, according to a statement issued by the White House press secretary.

President Barack Obama is currently touring college campuses urging students to put pressure on Congress to stop the increase. The increase would put a college education out of reach for many working American families, Obama said in a teleconference, Tuesday.

"In America, higher education can't be a luxury," Obama said. "It's an economic imperative."

The interest rate on Stafford

loans is currently set at 3.4 percent and would increase to 6.8 percent. The increase can only be stopped by congressional legislation, according to Cecilia Muñoz, assistant to the president and director of the White House Domestic Policy Council. "Nobody should have to

worry that a college education is out of reach," Muñoz said. "This an important agenda item because it's an important economic issue, and an important issue for the country."

There is a growing demand for a college education in the workforce, and the demand is already greater than it has ever been, according to Obama.

"It's never been more important," Obama said. "Unfortunately it's never been more expensive."

The Federal Reserve Bank of



New York estimates that student

loan debt has reached \$870 bil-

lion. Other estimates say it has

reached over \$1 trillion, accord-

are also on the rise. Loan bal-

ances 90 days or more past due

increased by 14.6 percent this

year to a total of \$7 billion,

had been at 6.8 percent until

congress lowered them to the

current rates in 2007. Congress

continues to make efforts to cut

taxes for millionaires and bil-

lionaires, and this partly results

in the defunding of higher edu-

prosperity," said Obama. "We've

got to build an economy where

everybody's got a fair shot. The

time to act is right now."

"We can't just cut our way to

cation, Obama said.

Stafford loan interest rates

according to Equifax.com.

Student loan delinquencies

ing to the Wall Street Journal.

AS funds black graduation

JESSICA JEWELL DAILY SUNDIAL

ssociated Students voted to distribute an additional \$1,700, a decrease from an original request of \$3,000, to Black Graduation Celebration, Tuesday after the issue had been tabled last week.

The 2011-2012 annual A.S. budget allocated \$3,500 to the the group, but they came back to the senate with a budget amendment requesting more funding.

"Let's at least do the bare minimum amount they've requested for the event to operate," Senator Laguae Feleix said.

The request was itemized:

\$1,260 for public safety, \$900 for sound, \$138 for National Center on Deafness services interpreters, \$150 for plaques, awards and certificates, and \$550 for program booklets totaling \$2,998.

Senator Cinzia Lettieri expressed her opposition to the additional funding beyond public safety and NCOD costs.

"This is an event for leisure, like ice hockey. They've paid \$2,000 for commemorative program books, sound should have been planned first," she said.

Senator William Ryder explained the ideological paradoxes at odds in the Grand Salon, "There are two schools of thoughts on this. I don't think

it's ever been anyone's intention to not want an event or group to function."

The funding is determined by a per student cost basis, and according to this model, Black Graduation Committee had already maxed out their funding.

"It's disappointing we couldn't give them everything they needed to function and they have to seek funding from their representatives," Feleix said.

The 40 decade-long CSUN celebration has been granted less money over recent years. The ceremony is voluntary for graduating African-American students and provides a smaller, intimate graduation to celebrate with the community.

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It is beneficial to recycle e-waste because resources in the electronics can be reuses, it saves energy, it keeps toxins out of landfills, and recycling reduces the general amount of waste created. Lots of material found in electronics can be reused such as "steel, glass, and plastic, as well as precious metals" (CalRecycle). Energy and resources can be saved that are otherwise used to mine and manufacture new products (EPA). Hazardous material in electronics such as lead, mercury, cadmium, nickel, and flame retardant plastics among others need to be properly disposed so they do not cause health problems or damage the environment (EPA). Recycling is a great way that you can help protect the environment and reduce waste

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Just because I break out does not mean you have to point it out

NATALIE RIVERA DAILY SUNDIAL

hen people meet me for the first time, I want them to remember me for my personality, not my flaws.

Since I was 13, I've had bad skin. My skin would break out under stress constantly, but by the middle of my freshman year in college, I broke out terribly and unexpectedly that my face felt like it burnt.

After treatment, my skin repaired itself, but by my junior year of college, the same acne reappeared but much more severely.

My skin became infected with the worst acne and pain I had ever felt, and I experienced it before the eyes of others. And I was humiliated.

I would receive comments from strangers daily. Every day was a different person asking me in public what was I doing to help myself.

It would have been thoughtful if it were not done in front of others, with comments, such as "You must be eating unhealthily" and "you must be sleeping on dirty sheets or not washing your hands."

After years of this, I have come to believe that there is an unspoken stereotyping of people with acne. Just because someone has acne, it does not always mean that they are not taking care of their body.

Acne is a skin condition that can occur for different reasons; the acne I had was what my dermatologist refers to as "inflammatory acne."

According to my dermatologist, Dr. Coleman, there are different reasons why acne happens. Acne can occur because of stress, cosmetics and pressure in the face, such as if a football player wears their helmet too tightly or if a violin player presses their face too hard on their instrument.

"There are four basic causes of acne — follicular plugging, oil, bacteria and inflammation," Dr. Coleman said. "There is no hard evidence linking acne to nutrition. There have been studies done that say it might have to do with the consumption of chocolate for males, but that still can't be confirmed."

Acne has nothing to do with washing your face and the foods you eat, according to the American Academy of

Though acne does not link back to diet or cleansing, there are people who still believe that it does, and there are some who made sure to make me feel that my break-outs were my fault.

It's fine to offer solutions to someone's problems, but there are some topics that are sensitive.

Not every case of acne is the same, and offering simple solutions like "just take Proactiv" is not the thing someone

sonal experiences, I firmly believe that offering simple advice like this can be hurtful. I personally felt hurt because unfortunately my condition cannot be solved by Proactiv. I felt isolated and different because my skin did not operate like everyone else's.

I once met a woman whose first words out of her mouth were, "Are you seeing a dermatologist?" This has happened to me at work, school and in social settings. When your skin is constantly stinging and bleeding, the last thing you want is people reminding

Severe acne takes time to disappear after the pimples have gone, you may still have redness and scarring. After my painful acne went away, I wanted to dance in victory because my skin was now tolerable, but some would not let me forget.

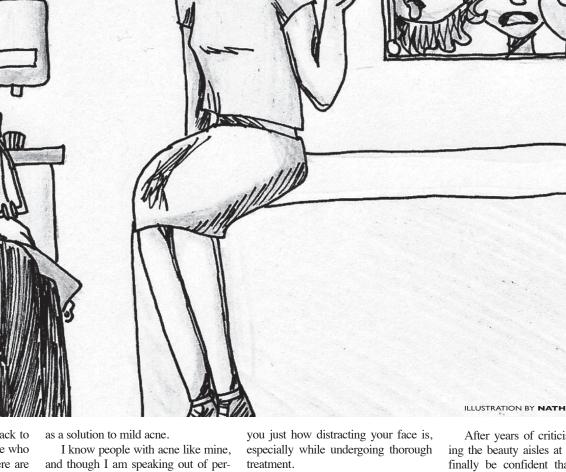
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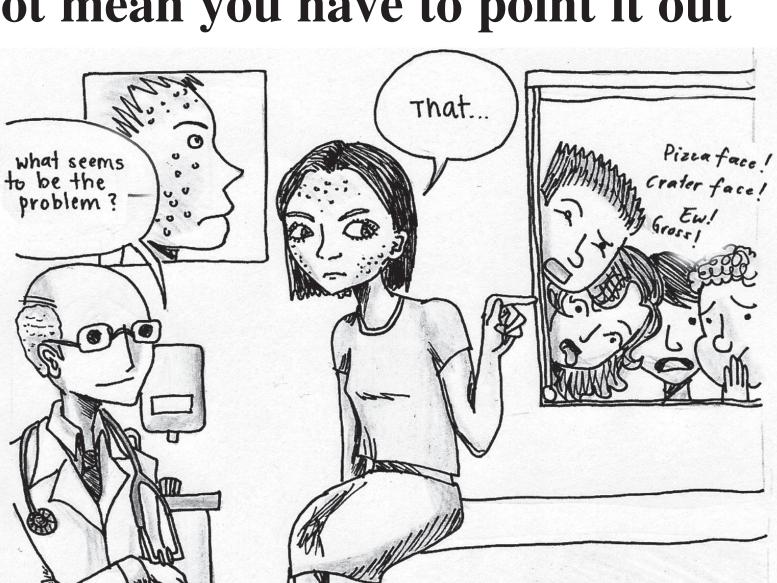
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After years of criticism and dodging the beauty aisles at Macy's, I can finally be confident that though my skin is not perfect, it will be after it is done repairing.

For anyone who has to deal with acne, severe or not, the only advice I can give you is to find a dermatologist or treatment that suits you and stick with it.

Do not panic or feel desperate just





Dermatology.

In fact, washing your face too much can make acne worse.

To this day, when I ask Dr. Coleman why I severely broke out, his answer is still, "I really don't know."

with sensitive skin wants to hear.

When people nonchalantly told me to use Proactiv, I had to go through the embarrassing process of explaining that my skin condition is severe, and that Proactiv clearly promotes themselves

something as visible and painful as inflammatory acne, even redness or scarring is a better replacement. Scarring will go away in time as long as you drink a lot of water and follow your dermatologist's instructions.

because your skin doesn't clear overnight; it takes time. And do not listen to what others say. If they truly wanted to help you, they would tell you privately and carefully. I had to learn all of this the hard way.

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World Peace's vicious elbow shows Artest still in there somewhere

RON ROKHY

LIVE-NEWS EDITOR

ow many advocates of world peace can you name that have viciously struck a colleague in their professional

setting? Hopefully, the answer is only one: Metta World Peace.

Or should I revert back to calling him Ron Artest? Because his latest act of world peace, which had him hitting Oklahoma City's shooting guard James Harden square in the head Sunday afternoon during the second quarter of the Lakers' double-overtime victory, wiped away everything he's done so far to fix his tarnished reputation.

The apologies, the charities, the psychiatric help, the name change – all gone.

Ladies and gentlemen, Ron Artest is back. And all it took was a moment of overwhelming emotion.

With 1:37 left in the first half, Artest cut the Thunder's lead to one with a thunderous dunk. On his way back on defense, Harden had the misfortune of slightly bumping into Artest, whose response was to immediately swing his elbow all the way around slamming Harden on the side of his head, causing him to suffer a concussion he hasn't

recovered from yet. After the game, Artest had this to say:

"I got really emotional, really excited. And it was unfortunate that James had to get hit with the unintentional elbow," Artest said. "I hope he's OK. The Thunder, they're playing for a championship this year. So I really hope he's OK, and I apologize to the Thunder and to James Harden.

"Such a great game, and it was unfortunate so much emotion was going on at that time."

This "apology" simply isn't good enough. Not for fans, not for Harden and certainly not for the NBA.

The league handed Artest a seven-game suspension Tuesday. He will miss the Lakers' season finale at Sacramento and possibly the entire first round of the playoffs, unless it drags on for seven games.

As a diehard fan of the Lakers, it pains me to say this, but even though Artest sitting out games (coupled with Matt Barnes' sprained ankle and Devin Ebanks' weightlifting injury to his hand) puts the Lakers in grave danger as they'd have no starting-caliber small forward, seven games is nowhere near enough. It isn't enough for brutally injuring another player, especially with Artest's lengthy rap sheet.

He should be forced to miss



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The Lakers' Metta World Peace (15) prepares to defend himself against the Thunder after he delivered an elbow to the head of guard James Harden at the Staples Center Sunday. World Peace was ejected on the play and received a seven-game suspension from the NBA on Tuesday. The Lakers should consider themselves lucky that he's not gone for the entire playoffs.

the playoffs. His actions not only hurt the Lakers' championship aspirations, but also the Thunder's. Harden still hasn't been cleared to play, and with the playoffs starting this weekend, he may miss part of the first round or even more.

Over the past three years,

Artest has worked extremely hard to make people forget his unbelievable outbursts in the past: from pulling down Paul Pierce's pants in the middle of a game, to in-your-face confrontations with then-rival Kobe Bryant, to the brawl in the Palace at Auburn Hills

where he, Jermaine O'Neal and Stephen Jackson beat up on fans after one of them threw a beer at Artest.

To repair his reputation, Artest seeked help to keep his emotions in control, had key game-saving moments in a championship run against the Boston Celtics in 2010 and sold his only championship ring to donate the money he got to charity. Unfortunately, all this was for naught - he screwed the Lakers over by reverting to his old self and is unworthy of the name "Metta World Peace."

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BASEBALL

Matadors' HRs, defense puts away Roadrunners



MICHAEL DAVIS CONTRIBUTING REPORTER ers worked out perfectly. Brandon War- over the left field fence. Bowen ended ner relieved Holt in the top of the fourth, up going 3-for-4 with an RBI and run-

SAMUEL ALBARRAN / CONTRIBUTOR CSUN shortstop Kyle Attl blasts one of the three solo home runs the Matadors had Tuesday afternoon against Cal State Bakersfield.

he Matador bats came out swinging and hit three home runs, but defense was the unsung hero of Tuesday afternoon's 5-2 victory over Cal State Bakersfield at Matador Field.

Matador Harley Holt faced off against Scott Brattvet in what appeared to be a pitcher's duel at the beginning. In the top of the first, Holt got two quick outs before the Roadrunners began sprinting and scored a run with a mix of singles and walks. That was the only score Holt gave up, going three strong innings and only allowing the one run off four hits.

Though Holt looked like he had enough to go deep into the game, CSUN manager Matt Curtis chose to treat the outing as a warm-up game.

"Because it was a midweek game, we planned on splitting it up between pitchers to save them for the weekend games," Curtis said.

Splitting the game up between pitch-

and pitched 2.1 solid innings. Warner only gave up three hits, one of them a home run to left field which was inches from foul territory.

Although both of the first two pitchers gave convincing performances, it was Jerry Keel who came in after Warner and got the win for the Matadors. Keel kept Bakersfield scoreless in 1.2 innings, dropping his ERA to 1.95. Louis Cohen came in for the last two innings, barely giving up a hit and getting the save for the Matadors.

The defense behind the pitchers was nothing but excellent as well. Committing zero errors out in the field compared to Bakersfield's one really helped keep Northridge in the game until they sprinted past the tiring Roadrunners.

On the offensive side, the Matadors started off slow, stranding six runners on base in the first two innings. But, as the clouds moved in over the field, the Matador bats came booming out like thunder. In the fourth, Marty Bowen led off the inning with a powerful home run ning in two scores for the Matadors.

"It felt good to hit that home run because I was robbed of one a couple games ago," Bowen said. "I was seeing the ball well and getting pitches up in the zone, which was nice."

Bowen's homer was followed up by another one in the same inning: a towering shot over the left field by shortstop Kyle Attl as CSUN took a 2-1 lead.

The Matadors made great connection with the ball on the day, hitting just about everything with power. Steven Keller joined in the deep-ball fun with another left-field home run in the bottom of the sixth. Later on in the same inning, after two singles and a double, the Matadors scored two more runs for the final 5-2 cushion.

"Coming off of a bye week, it took a couple of innings for our bats to really wake up," Curtis said. "We may have simply just needed to see the pitcher one time around, but eventually we got on track and the long ball really helped us out today."