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CAMPUS ROMANCE

Five campus couples celebrate their relationships on Valentine's Day



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While people around the world celebrate Valentine's Day, romance blossoms right here at CSUN in an array of relationships. From getting married and living together, to overcoming obstacles and supporting one another, five campus couples share their stories.

Jason & Siobhan Moser

Jason and Siobhan Moser are both seniors majoring in recreation and tourism management. Now married, Jason, 36, and Siobhan, 27, met in a classic case of mistaken identity.

Jason met Siobhan's twin sister in 2004 in a pool hall and had no interest in her. He then met Siobhan, who he thought was the same girl.

"I went up to her and started talking

and she had no clue who I was. Then she said you must know my twin sister and I figured she was playing games," Jason said. "As I was leaving, I saw her twin walking in, and I did a double take and went back in. I took them both to dinner."

The Mosers are part of the same major, take the same classes. They both work for the City of Calabasas recreation division.

"After we got married, neither of us had a degree and we wanted to start a family, so getting a degree was important," Jason said. "Taking classes together means we save money on books, we always have an instant study buddy, and we carpool which saves gas."

The couple also offers relationship

advice for the younger generation:

"If we begin more courting in marriage, there would be less marriages ending in courts," Jason said.

Siobhan said having common interests is key.

"When you have like-minded interests, you not only have a spouse, but a best friend as well," she said.

Eric Silva and Jessica Garcia

Junior English major Eric Silva, 25, and senior geography major, Jessica Garcia, 22, have been together for a year and a half. The couple moved from West Covina in August 2012 and now live together in Northridge.

Eric and Jessica both took a family and marriage science class prior to moving in

with each other. The class bombarded them with discouraging statistics, but in their hearts they knew it felt right.

"If there is anyone that you would want to ideally live with, it would be Eric," Garcia said. "It's been a positive experience."

However, just like any other couple, there was an adjustment period living together for the first time.

"Communication has a lot to do with it," Silva said. "Everybody has their problems, but we got through it. I just wish she would share the bathroom."

The couple offers advice for couples living together.

"If you make the decision to live together, you need to work at it," Silva said.

Emmanuel Martinez and John Garcia

Senior English major Emmanuel Martinez, 23, and recent CSUN business

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CULTURECLASH



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Students welcome new K-9 member

CSUN Police Department introduce new officer, commemorate dogs and demonstrate drug searches

LUCY GUANUNA

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C SUN's police department held a ceremony to introduce a new K-9, Isy, and honor the other K-9s in the unit who died or retired.

Isy, a 4-year-old German Shepherd, trained in bomb detection, started last September. She was officially introduced by her owner and partner, Tom Finnerty, supervisor of the K-9 unit.

A video was shown to honor the new addition and commemorate K-9 Dozer, who retired, and Freida, who died.

When Finnerty talked about Freida, who died a week before her retirement, he teared up reminiscing about his time with her. The officers can easily become attached to the dogs because they live with and work with them, Finnerty said.

"I remember the day Finnerty sent out an email informing me and the other chiefs that Freida had passed away. I was bawling more than he was," said Police Chief Anne Galvin. "You really bond with these animals."

Mitch, a 7-year-old German Shepherd, trained in narcotics detection, was reintroduced by his owner and partner, Officer Anthony Vargas, who is new to the K-9 unit.

"I've always wanted to be a part of the K-9 unit, but I couldn't because I hadn't reached all the requirements," Vargas said. "I needed a house and a yard and once I had them, I was happy to join."

Both dogs did a search demo where the officers hid smokeless powder and narcotics in the room. The dogs sniffed members in the audience, their bags and chairs before finding the items and were rewarded with toys the officers were holding.

The police department sold t-shirts at the event to raise funds for the unit. Finnerty said they have been lucky to receive funding because it costs more than \$20,000 to purchase and train the dogs. Donations help augment the costs.

The dogs have a number of duties on campus. They have helped locate missing elderly people who may have wandered onto campus from the local senior citizen center.

The dogs also conduct random narcotics searches on mail that comes to faculty, staff and students on campus.

"It was great to see everyone come out, all the students and faculty," Finnerty said. "We will be doing fundraisers in the future and we appreciate all the support."



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Officer Anthony Vargas (center) and supervisor of the K-9 unit, Tom Finnerty (right), attend a special ceremony honoring the careers of K-9 officers Mitch (center) and Isy. Isy is the fourth in line of explosive detection dogs at CSUN, and Mitch is certified in patrol and narcotics.



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Provost Harry Hellenbrand sits for a photo with Supervisor of the K-9 unit, Tom Finnerty, and K-9 officer Mitch at an event honoring the careers of CSUN's K-9 unit.



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Supervisor of the K-9 unit, Tom Finnerty, rewards K-9 Mitch after completing a search demonstration for guests at the an event honoring the careers of the K-9 unit.

GET TO KNOW A K-9

- They understand commands in German
- K-9s randomly search mail and packages that come to CSUN
- They are fed raw meat
- K-9s live with officers
- They are able to detect five narcotics: marijuana, cocaine, meth, heroine and ecstasy



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to see Mitch and Isy
search for narcotics

COUPLES

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law graduate John Garcia, 23, have been in a relationship for a year and eight months, but their courtship started in an odd way.

"I was friends with his ex," Garcia said.

The circumstances surrounding their romance were a little awkward. Martinez took matters into his own hands.

He invited Garcia to an Associated Students in hopes of getting things started between them.

The couple's favorite moments together involve live performances. Garcia took Martinez to see "Billy Elliot."

One of the secrets to making their relationship work is compromise, Martinez said.

Garcia is currently waiting on LSAT scores before applying to law school. He's considering schools on the East Coast and UCLA.

"I'm not opposed to moving," Martinez said. "I want to see his dream come true."

Martinez plans on being a writer, but is also interested in planning events.

Martinez is an avid runner and encourages Garcia to run with him. Contrary to his efforts, Martinez hasn't been able to persuade Garcia into running a marathon just yet.

But Martinez still hasn't given up hope.

"One day you'll do it," Martinez said. "You'll do the New York one with me."

Katie McInerney and Kevin Thomas

Senior psychology major Katie McInerney, 22, and her boyfriend Kevin Thomas, 21, a music composition major at Pierce College, have been in a relationship for a year and a half.

"The first time we hung out, when I walked into her apartment, she was playing Jethro Tull," Thomas said. "I knew I was in love."

Their romance blossomed from a friendship that began while working at Starbucks.

The couple said their relationship moved fast, but that it felt right. They note their prior friendship as the foundation for their romantic affair and open communication.

The pair has a black kitten named Kookie, to round out their "K" family.

McInerney and Thomas moved in together on their one year anniversary. They listen to music and cook together.

"We're both really quirky and like to sing and dance a lot," McInerney said.

For their Valentine's Day plans, McInerney said she wants to go to BJ's.

"They'll be lots of cookie eating," McInerney said. "Maybe some beer."

Missy Dominguez and Charli Gross

When alumna Missy Dominguez, 22, had to leave her home after she came out to her mom as queer, her burgeoning relationship with her partner, junior Charli Gross, 20, saved

her from homelessness.

"I moved out or I was kicked out, or both," Dominguez said. "I didn't know where I was going to go."

Gross said she received a phone call from her parents saying that Missy was distressed and in trouble. Fortunately for both Gross and Dominguez, Gross' parents are accepting of her sexuality.

"Both my parents treated Missy like their second daughter from the beginning," Gross said.

That day, Gross told Dominguez to pack her bags and stay with her. Within a few days, Gross was able to help Dominguez get a job in housing and a place in the dorms.

The circumstances provided a way for the couple to develop trust and care for each other.

"We were together for a little less than a semester when I came out to my mom," Dominguez said. "We had to mature our relationship pretty fast."

Before Dominguez graduated, she and Gross supported each other in school. Dominguez was able to introduce a young Gross to campus culture, and Gross was able to support Dominguez while she was finishing up her degree and applying to graduate school.

"Missy has always been a good student," Gross said. "But that period was very stressful for her so I took care of things for her so she could focus on what she needed to do. She graduated with honors, Magna Cum Laude."

Students honor history



LOREN TOWNSLEY / PHOTO EDITOR

Benjamin Allen instructs students in a hip-hop dance class in Redwood Hall for Black History Month.

MONA ADEM ASST. OPINION EDITOR

GROOV3, an old school hip-hop dance class taught by Benjamin Allen in Redwood Hall, was hosted by Pan African studies and the kinesiology department to commemorate Black History Month.

The class brought in men and women of all ages and backgrounds. Allen said his dance workout represents three elements:

dance, sweat and life.

"It's about self-expression, freedom, and being able to let it go," Allen said.

The class was an hour and 45 minutes and dancers encouraged each other when faced off in dance battle.

Allen said that his class today focused on old school hip-hop because of its cultural significance to the black community.

Dr. Aime Glocke, Pan African studies associate professor, helped organize the event. She believes dance is often a better way

to educate people about the culture than simply using a presentation.

"They get hands on learning in context to hip-hop," said Glocke.

Glocke said that hip-hop has changed throughout the years as it became a commodity and part of the mainstream media.

"We chose old school hip-hop because the lineage shows that there is much more to the music than what we see today," said Glocke.

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Diontay Odom, 22, a deaf studies major participates in GROOV3, a free hip-hop dance class as part of Black History Month.

GROOV3

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Natalie Askren, 27, kinesiology major who focuses on dance, said the event was really enjoyable.

Askren grew up in Vermont. Very few African-Americans lived in her neighborhood. Her parents never taught her about racial boundaries and she believes that everyone should respect each other no matter their race.

"These kind of events truly bring people together and when we dance next to each other, we don't see each others skin color," Askren said.

Tyana Haskins, 19, dance major, said she appreciates these kind of events that are brought to the forefront.

"Everyone is so focused on Valentine's day and forget that this is also a month that celebrates Black history," Haskins said.

Haskins said that although the country has come far in terms of racial equality, we still have a long way to go until we actually become a color-blind society.

"We need more advancement to happened so we can have social acceptance for everyone," Haskins said.

"If everyone had a dance mindset, then the world would be a better place to live," she said.

Valentine's Day Music

JOELL GRANGER
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The BBC Concert Orchestra will perform Thursday in the Great Hall in the VPAC as part of their west coast U.S. tour for a night of classical music.

The concert begins at 8 p.m. and will feature four different orchestral pieces: Britten's "Four Sea Interludes" from "Peter Grimes," Op. 33a, the cello concerto, Butterworth's "The Banks of Green Wil-

low," and Elgar's Enigma Variations.

"Peter Grimes" is considered one of Britain's most famous operas, first performed in 1945. It follows the back story of a fisherman and the deaths of his two apprentices.

Tickets for the concert are either \$35, \$50 or \$65 depending on preferred seating arrangements.

Conductor Keith Lockhart will be serenading the audience. Lockhart previously conducted for Boston Pops Orchestra for 15 years and has a diverse repertoire.

Cellist Sophie Shao will be performing Elgar's

cello concerto in E minor, Op. 85.

Shao played in the U.S., Europe and Asia since she was 19 years old and she was awarded the Avery Fisher Career Grant.

The BBC Concert Orchestra, now 60 years old, has become a world renowned and versatile orchestra. Beginning in 1952, it branched off from the BBC Opera Orchestra.

Their reputation spans from opera to ballet and musicals that play on radio, TV and concert halls.

The BBC Concert Orchestra will be visiting 13 cities for their U.S. tour this season.

Climate Change Rally

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SENIOR REPORTER

C SUN Greens will be joining other organizations and businesses to what is considered the "largest climate rally in history" in solidarity with the demonstration taking place in Washington D.C.

The purpose is to send a message to President Obama to take charge in the fight against Climate change, preventing the construction of the Keystone XL tar sands pipeline in order to live in a future where renewable energy is the only source power. The Los Angeles rally, will go through downtown with the message: "Solve the climate crisis! take a stand Mr. President!"

The rally will take place

Sunday, February 17th, at 1 p.m., it will begin in Olvera Street on the South-West Side of Paseo De La Plaza (Between North Los Angeles St. & Main St.) and march to Los Angeles City Hall located 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA (South Side Steps).

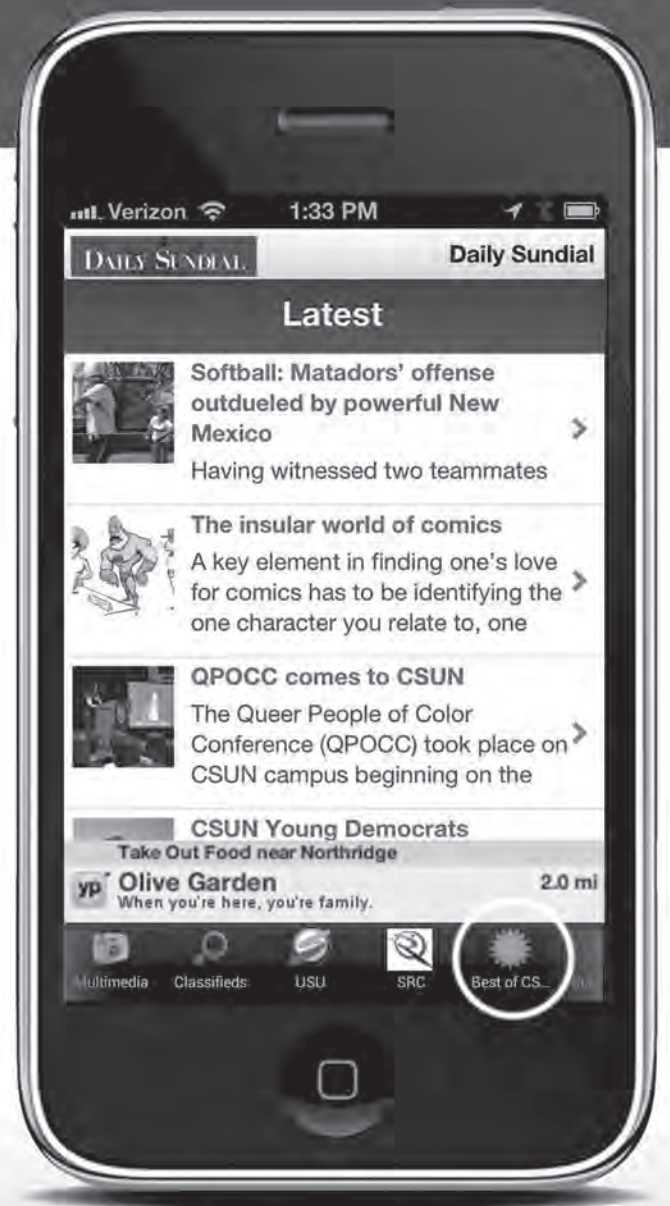
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WHAT'S FOR DESSERT?

Roses are red, violets are blue. Here are some sex toys and strip clubs, for you and your beau.

LUIS RIVAS
SENIOR REPORTER

It's that time of year again which obligates couples to be romantic—and boring. But instead of falling into the traps of custom, why not try something different? Trade in the candle-lit dinner, boxes of chocolate and flowers (or at least postpone it for a little later) for a trip to a strip club or a sex shop where you can pick up

a bottle of warming lube, sex toys, black lace lingerie and a couple of whips.

There is no better place to start than right here in the San Fernando Valley, one of the porn capitals of the U.S.

Sex shops are not as creepy as you might think

If you're looking for something different and kinky, both for you and your partner, a visit to the local sex shop can actually be pretty fun. Disclaimer (for heterosexual men): do not surprise her with a trip to a sex shop. Ask first. If it's a no-go, laugh it off and move on. The last thing you want is to make her feel awkward and uncomfortable. That is not sexy.

On the corner of Lindley Avenue and Nordhoff Street, directly across the street from CSUN, tucked away in a shopping plaza is Bull's-Eye Outlet, a store that sells women's clothing, lingerie and sex toys.

There is also the Adult Warehouse Outlet and Passion's Video & Boutique. The staff at the outlet is friendly, which may sound weird, but trust me—you don't want an adult store clerk that doesn't know silicone lube from water-based lube, or is a rude asshole who hates life and projects that hatred onto the customers.

Thankfully people like Lorena Paniagua work there. She's been in the adult retail business for 13 years. During this time of year, lingerie, usually red, is one of the most sought-after items, she said. But toys are also very popular.

Sex toys for men, women and both

Paniagua said that men typically come in to buy cock rings, a ring that men use to maintain their erections by constricting blood flow and delaying climax. Additional bonus? It adds girth.

Some come with a vibration capability, essentially turning a man into a vibrator. And who doesn't want that? The rings are typically made from a stretchy material and come in different sizes. Prices range from \$5 up to \$50, but the look on your partner's face? Priceless.

The Big O, a ring manufactured by erotic company The Screaming O, is the most popular of the

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SEX TIPS

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cock rings, retailing at \$12.99, with replaceable batteries. But the most popular item year-round, including Valentine's Day, are sexual enhancement pills for men, similar to Viagra or Cialis, but no prescription is needed.

"Men take the pills to last longer during sex," she said. "Right now the most popular one is LibigroXXX or Nite Rider." The price is \$10, which is about the average price for all male sexual enhancement pills.

Women shouldn't have much trouble finding something here, as the majority of the store is geared toward them. Any vibrator or toy that is discreet will do, Paniagua said. If it has different functions, not just one vibration or speed, even better. Customers don't want things too big, but something they can hide from their

kids that doesn't make a lot of noise.

Bullets and other clitoral-stimulating vibrators are the most popular (really no surprise there). But G-spot vibrators are also popular. Perhaps surprisingly, one of the highest demand items is China Shrink Cream. The cream is rubbed on the walls of the vagina to make it bigger and plumper so that the man's penis enjoys a snugger fit. This pseudo-sexist, heterosexual-male-centric invention (which, arguably, the sex industry is founded upon) retails for \$12.99. Results may vary and buyer beware. But, hey, it's fun to keep trying.

One of the newest toys out is the Dermerotica Skin Sensations by Topco Sales. It has six vibrating speeds, a dual sensor—which just means there's a vibrating motor at the head of the dildo and one at the base. Retail price is \$74.99. But for couples, Paniagua suggests the We Vibe II. The product is a U-shaped vibrator made for both clitoral

and G-spot stimulation, and the man can (*ahem*) slide himself inside just fine while she is using it. The price is not cheap at \$169.99. It looks slightly intimidating so it's not recommended that you bust it out on the first date.

Meanwhile, sales associate Jose Salas over at Passion's Video & Boutique says that business picks up during Valentine's Day season. Similar to the Outlet, sexual enhancement pills for men are very popular. "Out of all the pills, the one that sells the most is Stiff Nights," he said. Unlike the Outlet, this store has a huge selection of DVDs that are available for purchase or rent. According to Salas, story-line adult movies and celebrity sex tapes tend to be the most popular. "Pirates," an adult movie parody of "Pirates of the Caribbean," and the Kim Kardashian sex tape are popular



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Jose Salas, sales associate at Passion's Video & Boutique in Reseda, puts away red lingerie. During Valentine's Day shopping season, red lingerie is one of the more popular items.



LUIS RIVAS / SENIOR REPORTER

Bull's Eye Outlet, located across the street from CSUN on the corner of Lindley Avenue and Nordhoff Street, sells lingerie, corsets, sex toys and other adult novelties.

choices at the shop. The store offers 15 percent off for students, so be sure to bring your CSUN student ID, you perverted bastards.

Salas said his store is a safe space for all people. "As soon as you walk in, it's judgement-free," he said. "Straight, bi, gay, it doesn't matter what you are or what you like. Practically whatever you want, it's all up to you. No one is going to judge you for it."

Bull's-Eye Outlet
18110 Nordhoff St, Northridge, CA 91325

The Adult Warehouse Outlet
7118 Reseda Blvd, Reseda, CA 91355

Passion's Video & Boutique
7146 Reseda Blvd, Reseda, CA 91355

Strip clubs that welcome or cater to couples

Believe it or not, strip clubs have come a long way from being seedy, beer-soaked, gaudy caves filled with depressed deadbeats reminiscent of Al Bundy's Jiggly Room from the Fox TV show "Married with Children." Many places actually encourage women and couples to stop by. It's not just a men's-only place.

DejaVu, Spearmint Rhino and Bare Elegance are just some of the clubs where you can see a couple enjoying a lap dance or throwing bills on stage and objectifying naked, dancing women equally. The fact that the above-named places don't serve alcohol might have something to do with that. The nearest DejaVu is located in North Hollywood, which offers free admission for

all couples and an actual kissing booth this Valentine's Day.

Wherever you find yourself, with or without that special someone, enjoy your Valentine's Day more by picking up some toys and stop by a strip club to add a little spice to your love life. That, or just drink yourself to tears and wait for next year to try out all the cool new things you've learned!

Spearmint Rhino, Van Nuys
15004 Oxnard St, Van Nuys, CA 91411

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So your crush is oblivious and you're feeling depressed? There are two outcomes: you find yourself at the bottom of the bottle, alone, and contemplating your sorrows, or you have delusions of grandeur and think of the "what if's?"

What you may need is a drink, and Bitter Crush might be the right remedy. Bitter Crush is a strangely different, yet curiously delicious combination of rum, bitters, and lemon.

- INGREDIENTS**
- 2 oz Aperol (bitter orange apéritif)
 - 1 1/2 oz White Rum
 - 1 tsp Lemon juice
 - 2 dashes Orange bitters
 - 1 tsp Sugar
 - Strawberry or lemon twist for garnish

- DIRECTIONS**
1. Fill a highball glass with crushed ice.
 2. Stir together Aperol, rum, lemon juice, and bitters in a small glass measuring cup.
 3. Add sugar and stir until dissolved.
 4. Pour over ice.

Flirtini

This Valentine's Day you may find yourself at a kickback and end up bartending, but when you spot someone that you absolutely have to meet, work up the nerve to get their attention by mixing yourselves a Flirtini to break the ice.

- INGREDIENTS**
- 2 pcs Fresh pineapple
 - 1/2 oz Cointreau
 - 1/2 oz Vodka
 - 1 oz Pineapple juice
 - 3 oz Chilled champagne strawberry/maraschino cherry for garnish

- DIRECTIONS**
1. Place the pineapple pieces and Cointreau in the bottom of a mixing glass.
 2. Add vodka and pineapple juice.
 3. Stir well.
 4. Strain into a chilled cocktail glass.
 5. Top with garnish and combine champagne.
 6. Garnish.

Screaming Orgasm

If you haven't had a Screaming Orgasm, you're definitely missing out. For the licentious drinker this is definitely one best shaken not stirred. Although this recipe doesn't call for garnishings, be sure you have a chaser to wrap your lips around, but be advised, one Screaming Orgasm is in most instances, never enough.

- INGREDIENTS**
- 1 oz Irish cream (Bailey's)
 - 1 oz Cointreau
 - 2/3 oz Grand Marnier

- DIRECTIONS**
1. Shake ingredients in a cocktail shaker with ice.
 2. Strain into glass. Garnish as needed.

Sweet Surrender

If you have a romantic evening in mind, prove to them that chivalry is not dead by mixing your lover a Sweet Surrender. The combination of peach brandy and champagne are sure to satisfy the senses.

- INGREDIENTS**
- 1/2 oz Peach brandy
 - 1 oz Orange juice
 - Fill with chilled champagne



JOHN SARINGO-RODRIGUEZ / DAILY SUNDIAL

Threesome is not a complicated drink, actual threesomes are a different story.

- DIRECTIONS**
1. Rub a champagne flute with a slice of orange and dip the glass in sugar.
 2. Add OJ and peach brandy to a cocktail shaker with ice and shake well. Strain into flute and fill with champagne.
- INGREDIENTS**
- 1/2 oz Absinthe
 - 1/2 oz Aquavit
 - 1/2 oz Irish Cream (Bailey's)
 - 1/2 oz Galliano
 - 1/2 oz White Tequila
 - 1/2 oz Grenadine/Sugar

Threesomes

- For those who might have an unconventional appetite, indulge yourself with absinthe and tequila, and top it off with Irish cream. This tantalizing orgy-in-your-mouth will be a mix that you will never forget!
- DIRECTIONS**
1. Rim three shot glasses with Aquavit and sugar.
 2. Add absinthe and Aquavit to the first shot glass, tequila and grenadine to the second, and Galliano and Bailey's to the third.
 3. Light the first glass on fire and serve.

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CONFUSED GIFT SHOPPERS

Last-minute valentines

CYNTHIA GOMEZ
DAILY SUNDIAL



COURTESY OF MCT AND MACY'S

Handout Epic Threads graphic T-shirts, \$9.99 in the Macy's boys department.

In grade school, when it came to that special day, that is Feb. 14, our parents pretty much took care of it for the most part. They made sure that all 25 classmates had their popular cartoon theme cards with their Hershey's Kisses taped on them.

Now it's four weeks into the semester and people are still adjusting to hectic work hours and endless homework. You wake up on Thursday and realize that you totally forgot to pre-order that giant banner with "I Love You" smacked right in the middle, that you planned to hang from your sweetheart's front door.

Candy from the convenient store is too practical and by the time you drive down the street the lady selling the flowers will be all out. Just before you realize that your beloved is going to kill you for

forgetting, remember that there are a few things you could pick up at the store on the very last minute. And here they are, so breathe:

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BREAK A LEG

Couples to learn from

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Whether or not you're in a relationship this Valentine's Day, there are some love stories in pop culture we can all learn from. Here are a few of them to take apart and grab the bits and pieces you love the most to create your ultimate love story.

THE SWEEP YOU OFF YOUR FEET ROMANCE

Never has America collectively rooted for a hooker more than in "Pretty Woman." Julia Roberts' nasty rags to swanky riches story had us all hoping that someday we too would get swept off our feet. Richard Gere was so endearingly tender with ragamuffin Julia despite her soiled past that we all had high hopes our own Sugar Daddy or Sugar Mama would come find us.

How steamy was their sex:

Gere's tenderness absolutely entered the bedroom. He was so intimate with Julia it's hard not to go, "Awwwww!" when watching these two between the sheets.

What to watch out for:

Julia was in fact a hooker, so if you want to last in this sort of relationship, be sure to get tested.

THE LOVE STORY THAT HAPPENED TOO LATE

I don't care if he killed Voldemort, Harry Potter totally stole the thunder from Ron and Hermione! We never get to see any love between them until the last HP film, but that didn't make it any less satisfying. They came together through their shared role as Harry's sidekick, but knew they were the true hero in each other's hearts.

How steamy was their sex:

Again, we never see it, but we both know Ron's got a few magic tricks to perform with that wand of his.

What to watch out for:

Don't let the tendency to help others lead you to become the ultimate pushover. That's what led all those wizards to sign up and become Death Eaters.

THE LET'S GET FREAKY ALL THE TIME RELATIONSHIP

Sometimes you just need a good boink. Natalie Portman and Ashton Kutcher demonstrated this perfectly in "No Strings Attached." Kutcher and Portman showed us that it's unbelievably titillating to have a person out there who will get down and dirty any time, any place and in any position.

How steamy was their sex:

Very. Like, handprint sliding down the glass steamy.

What to watch out for:

The inevitable attachment of strings. Resist your inner do-gooder and become completely shallow by finding that lover who's hot on the outside but just down right ugly inside so you can have guiltless sex.



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Valentine's Day

Each year February 14th brings joy into the hearts (and cash into the pockets) of jewelry store owners, flowers shops, greeting card companies, candy manufacturers and restaurant owners. However, this day of love also comes with some severe consequences for our planet and fellow humans. Valentine's Day's global carbon footprint, alienating psychological effects and out-of-control demand for luxury

products that exploits the third world, earn it a well deserved rebuke. Consider this an FU Sweetheart candy to one of my least favorite days.

Some are familiar with the feelings of loneliness and depression that can come to them if they don't find that special someone to share the day, but few consider the global impact of this consumer driven holiday.

CHOCOLATE

One of the first things about this holiday that should leave a bad taste in your mouth is where the candies in that heart shaped box really come from. The Valentine's staple chocolate is one of the most unethically harvested commodities on the market today. Half of the world's cocoa supply is from Ghana and Ivory Coast where children and adults are forced into labor. According to a 2011 report from Tulane University, over 800,000 children in Cote d'Ivoire and almost 100,000 children in Ghana work in the cocoa harvesting industry. But only 5 to 10 percent work for pay. It's hard to comprehend the romantic appeal of receiving the product of child slave labor.



JEWELRY

A 2013 report from the National Retail Federation (NRF) states that "total spending on jewelry is expected to reach \$4.1 billion, up from \$3.5 billion last year." While the NRF celebrates these facts and many would see this as another boost to our economy, few consumers consider the source of their luxury items.

According to a 2004 report from Amnesty International, only 13 percent of retail stores in the U.S. offered warranties to their customers to ensure that they not purchasing conflict diamonds. While its lamentable that this billion dollar industry fails to regulate itself in the pursuit of mass profit, the real tragedy is the fact that most consumers do not even attempt to seek information about where the diamonds are coming from, much less take action and demand that companies stop the practice of purchasing and selling blood diamonds. Amnesty also estimated 3.7 million have died as a result of conflicts, funded by diamonds in Angola, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Sierra Leone. Sadly, diamonds continue to flood the international market, mined from war-torn areas of West African, but the average consumer's concern when buying diamonds is whether or not their get laid because of it, after all every "kiss begins with Kay."

However, the problem is not only with the diamonds. The demand for gold jewelry contributes to destructive mining practices.

According to a 2012 report from Earthworks and MiningWatch Canada, an estimated 180 million tons of hazardous mining waste are dumped each year into our oceans, rivers and streams.

In addition to poisoning our earth's most precious resource, mining is also hazardous for workers and accounts for 3 percent of work-related deaths globally.



ROSES

The quintessential red rose bouquet doesn't occur anywhere in nature. To meet the unnatural demand for these flowers, florists in the United States import flowers from South America. According to a 2012 article from International Business Time, 90 percent of the roses sold on Valentine's day are imported from

Columbia and Ecuador. Not only does this all come with an enormous carbon foot-print, workers in these South American flower factories, who are mainly female, suffer long hours and low wages as well as sexual harassment from their male bosses. Next time you try and score points on Valentine's Day with a bouquet, you might want to think about the greenhouse worker's who harvested, cut and de-thorned those roses while risking stress injury and exposure to dangerous pesticides. Not to mention the fact that those romantic red roses will wither and die in a couple of days anyways and your significant other will probably forget about them in a few weeks.

The future looks dim as well since profit is the main motive and companies will only try to make more money each year by continuing to exploit people's emotions and push Valentine's Day into new markets. Countries like Iran and Malaysia lament the rise of Valentine's Days popularity as it imports western values and ingrains the empty and frivolous holiday into their society.

In all fairness, Valentine's Day should not be the scape goat. Rather, our consumeristic and materialistic tendencies needs to be carefully examined and truly challenged. If we continue to express our romance to each other with meaningless gifts and disregard the global impact of our cultural imperialism and purchasing decisions, we violate the true nature of love by disrespecting other cultures, destroying our planet and oppressing the powerless in our world.

POLL OF THE DAY: MULTIPLE CHOICE

QUESTION: Do you choose to celebrate Valentine's Day?

YES

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Join the discussion in the Opinions section at DAILY.SUNDIAL.COM



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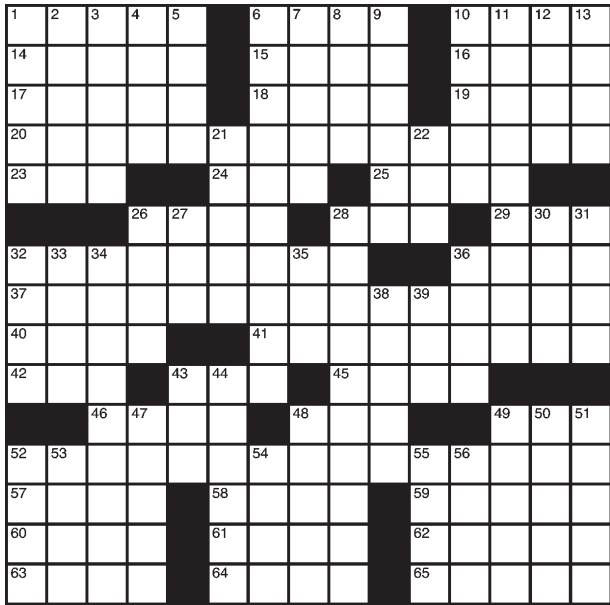
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- 14 Cowboy, at times
- 15 Palm product
- 16 Classic cream-filled snack
- 17 For the birds?
- 18 Agile deer
- 19 Actor Ken
- 20 Stout
- 23 Seaside raptor
- 24 Have to thank for, with "to"
- 25 Horn sound
- 26 Belgrade native
- 28 Lawn option
- 29 Nova Scotia hrs.
- 32 Relative via remarriage
- 36 Shell out
- 37 Stout
- 40 Gremlin and Pacer
- 41 Able to come back
- 42 Cole Porter's "___ Clown"
- 43 Bond, for one
- 45 "Heavens to Betsy!"
- 46 Place to tie up
- 48 "___ we having fun yet?"
- 49 Intractable beast
- 52 Stout
- 57 Dead set against
- 58 Ram, e.g.
- 59 Significant
- 60 Sax immortal Getz
- 61 Politico Bayh
- 62 Blue hue
- 63 Reaction to being cut off
- 64 Not a good mark
- 65 Hem again



By Dave Eckert

2/14/13

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved



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- 7 Gradually vanish
- 8 Cobb of "12 Angry Men"
- 9 Not get the better of
- 10 Flickr image
- 11 Ring insert
- 12 Knife in "West Side Story"
- 13 Shape (up)
- 21 Tire-shaped
- 22 New England catch
- 26 Nos. for beachgoers
- 27 Chemical suffix
- 28 Cryptozoologist's quarry
- 30 Name meaning "young warrior" in Old Norse
- 31 Short communication
- 32 Work on a deck
- 33 Large volume
- 34 Yosemite attraction
- 35 Not a good mark
- 36 Crossword component
- 38 Rival of Rory
- 39 Greeting in Rio
- 43 When doubled, a breath freshener
- 44 Specialized undergrad course
- 47 Permanently
- 48 Liam Neeson voiced him in "The Chronicles of Narnia" films
- 49 Like many a prime rib serving
- 50 One in a Lincoln quartet?
- 51 Scatter
- 52 Reason for stitches
- 53 "Do ___ ..."
- 54 Late-inning achievement
- 55 Barbra's "Funny Girl" co-star
- 56 Flabbergast

DOWN

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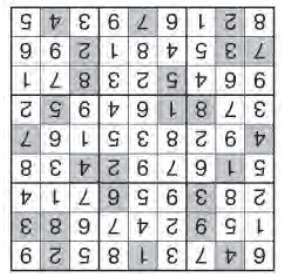
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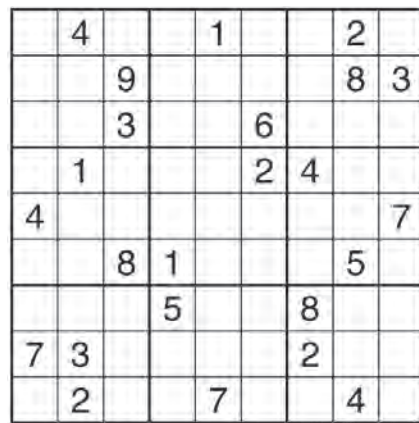
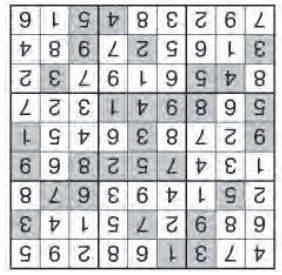
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WATER POLO

Matadors riding the tide to victory

Northridge looks to return to the Big West Championship game in hopes of making the NCAA tournament

KEVIN KIANI
DAILY SUNDIAL

The CSUN water polo team (8-1) brought its core group of players from last year back and is looking to build off success. Northridge finished 19-20, losing to UC Irvine in the Big West Championship.

With eight out of 10 players who scored in double figures last year returning, head coach Marcelo Leonardi has high hopes for this team.

"Our expectations are to win the Big West championship and go to NCAA," Leonardi said. "We feel that everybody is one year bigger, one year faster, one year smarter and we are still looking at Northridge for that first team in women's water polo to go to NCAA."

Their returning core is led by junior utility Jenny Jamison and sophomore utility Marisa Young.

Young had 65 goals in her freshman year, which was third best in the league and earned her Big West freshman of the year honors, a first for a CSUN



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Junior attacker Leah Janke (left), an integral part to CSUN's 2012 success, will be leaned on to guide the Matadors to the postseason.

player. She also earned Honorable Mention All-American and first team All-BWC honors.

"We have such a large group that has returned and we all have our own strengths and those strengths have really clicked," Young said. "I believe we are going to do great this season."

Leading the Matadors with 68 goals last season, Jamison which earned her first team All-BWC honors and Honorable Mention All-American. Despite

their success, she feels like the Matadors can improve.

"We are constantly working on everything," Jamison said. "Everything needs work. Specifically, we need to work on communication and defense."

Returning sophomore goalkeeper Kiernan Davis is expected to be a force in the net for the Matadors. Playing 18 games in her freshman season, Davis was second in the Big West Conference in average saves per game

with 11.41.

Despite the short season, Leonardi has already seen areas of improvement.

"We are more athletic, our depth has definitely improved, and overall there is a better understanding of the system of play and what we are trying to do," Leonardi said. "If I had to pick one thing that is our strength, it would be team chemistry. I can genuinely say that we are family, everybody under-

stands their role and everyone contributes in some aspect, and that definitely translates into the water."

CSUN started play this season in the UC Santa Barbara tournament with a 12-6 loss to Arizona State (6-0), but have won six straight games after that.

Facing 20th-ranked UC San Diego (3-1) and came out with a 13-6 win. Jamison led the way with four goals and Davis had 13 saves.

The Matadors followed that up with a 19-7 win over Pomona Pitzer (0-2) in which 10 CSUN players scored at least one goal. Closing the tournament, CSUN recorded an 11-4 win over Sonoma State (3-4) in which junior attacker Lindy Nelson had a game-high seven goals.

At the Cal Baptist tournament the next weekend, CSUN defeated host Cal Baptist (0-7) 10-5. Nelson again led with four goals. Northridge went undefeated through the tournament, with a 15-7 win over Concordia (2-6) and a 16-5 win over California State University, San Bernardino (0-6).

CSUN then played four games at the UCSD tournament, going an even 2-2. Getting tough wins over Hartwick (3-5) and host UCSD (4-4), the Matadors fell to second-ranked USC (2-0) 9-2 and Long Beach State 10-8 in overtime.

Although every conference game is important for the Matadors, one game is particularly important to Jamison.

"Irvine is going to be a really important game for all of us," Jamison said. "We are all going to be on it, we were so close last year and we just want it really bad."

Northridge will get their shot at Irvine on April 7.

MEN'S SOCCER

Assistant coach takes job at Cal Poly

CASEY DELICH
SPORTS EDITOR

Decorated assistant coach and former soccer player Yossi Raz ended his Northridge career Tuesday afternoon, taking the head coaching job at Cal Poly Pomona.

Recently named one of the top-15 assistant coaches in the country, Raz becomes the ninth head coach in the Broncos' 30-year history.

"It's exciting to get an opportunity, especially when it comes to such a prestigious institution and great athletic department," Raz said. "I'm super-thrilled and super-excited, and ready to go to work and represent the Broncos to the best of my ability."

In his eighth year as an assistant coach under Terry Davila in 2012, Raz and the Matadors had their most successful season together.

Helping lead CSUN to its first Big West Championship and a berth in the NCAA Tournament, Northridge finished with a 15-7 record.

"Yossi has been a big part of our success in returning to our soccer identity at the Division I level," Davila said in a press release. "I have seen him mature as both a player, student and coach of the game. He is ready for this opportunity and he deserves it."

Part of Raz's duties as assistant coach was to be the recruiting coordinator and in charge of academics for students. In 2012, senior defender Joe Franco was named a Scholar All-American, and senior defender Yuval Barak and Franco were named to the NSCAA Academic All-West Region Team.

As a four-year starter for CSUN in his playing days, Raz was named the Big West Freshman of the Year in 2001. Breaking new territory, Raz became the first player in conference history to earn All-Big West First Team honors in all four

years. Earning three berths to the NCAA Tournament as a player, the Matadors advanced to the second round in 2003 after earning a bye in the first round.

Though unable to achieve a NCAA Tournament victory as a student-athlete, Raz helped lead the Matadors to a tournament victory in 2005, and compiled a career coaching record of 82-68-29 (.539) in eight years.

Raz goes to a program looking for a major turnaround, compiling a 3-11-3 season in 2012. Playing in the California Collegiate Athletic Association, the Broncos went 1-11-3 in conference play.

"I was lucky enough that Terry (Davila) allowed me to interact with any aspect of the program," Raz said. "So I feel very comfortable of all aspects, obviously recruiting, fundraising and academics, those are all major parts of a program. Now as a head coach you have to make sure you divide your time properly so all the functions of the program work. The idea is



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Assistant head coach Yossi Raz ended his 12-year tenure at CSUN, hired to helm Cal Poly men's soccer.

to build a quality program.

The Broncos have never won the CCAA conference championship and last had a winning record in 2011.

Raz doesn't see his career at CSUN coming to an end.

"I am changing roles once again, I was a student-ath-

lete, then I changed into a grad assistant, later on into a top assistant, a little after into associate head coach and now a proud alum and supporter of the program," Raz said, who is originally from Israel.

"Northridge gave me an

opportunity when I came to America, I will always have a warm place for Northridge and the athletic department, and people in it. Coach Davila is forever to be a mentor and friend what he did for me I can't describe in words."