College shuttle service doesn’t deliver

By Michael Kincheloe  
The Collegian

University Express, an online company that claims to “provide weekend shuttle service exclusively for college students,” is allegedly a fraud.

Two Fresno State students bought tickets from gouniversityexpress.com last year and were supposed to be picked up at University Express “pick up location” at the west side of the campus’ parking lot D near the Henry Madden Library.

“I bought a ticket, and they never picked me up,” said a biology major who requested anonymity. “I paid $270 for a season pass in late September.”

The University Express website advertises 5 round trips to all Bay Area stops for $270 from UC Merced and CSU Fresno, and notes that the student has one calendar year in which to take these round trips. The website is the inexpensive “build your own” variety available from Godaddy, Yahoo and many other domain host companies.

The student planned to take her first trip to San Jose State. The other student paid $50 for a bogus round-trip ticket to San Diego State. Both students are in their freshman year.

One student tried calling the phone number displayed on the gouniversityexpress.com website, but was unable to reach anyone (repeated phone calls to the same number by The Collegian — the last being April 26 — were unanswered), so she sent an e-mail requesting a refund.

University Express replied to her e-mail, saying that by the end of December she would have her money back. “I still haven’t had my money sent back,” she said.

The student said that she e-mailed them one last time in January. “They never e-mailed me back,” she said.

The Collegian e-mailed University Express last month requesting a response to allegations that students were being ripped off. Spokespeople for gouniversityexpress.com cannot be reached.

Two Fresno State students spent $270 for a shuttle service that never arrived. Spokespeople for gouniversityexpress.com cannot be reached.

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Fresno State alumnus and former Collegian sports editor Darrell Copeland passed away suddenly Monday night at a recreational softball league game. He was 25 years old.

Copeland, who graduated with his degree in mass communication and journalism with an emphasis in public relations in 2009, collapsed at the game Monday night while playing for his team “Bulldog Born.” He died later that night at Saint Agnes Hospital.

“Last we heard, the doctors weren’t really sure what caused it, so we are still waiting to hear about that,” said Eddie Hughes, friend and colleague of Copeland, said.

Hughes, who worked as editor-in-chief at The Collegian, had known Copeland for more than six years. They had remained friends ever since.

“Darrell lived life in the most pure way,” Hughes said. “He was a model person, the type of person everyone wanted to be around. It’s just a huge loss.”

Hughes said that Fresno State always held great importance in Copeland’s life.

“Fresno State was always something Darrell had a passion for as an alumni, student and fan,” he said. “He is an icon [for Fresno State] and truly gives us a good name.”

Copeland was the sports editor and manager of The Collegian, said “Darrell was a stalwart sports editor at The Collegian a rock that held the student editors together during Nathan Hathaway’s illness and passing. He always had a smile for everyone, and his depth of intelligence was constantly apparent.”

“Darrell will be deeply missed.”

“Darrell was a ray of sunshine in our department,” Dr. Tammy Pierce, mass communication and journalism department chair, said. “I had Darrell in two classes. Even after he was no longer in my classes, Darrell would always stop by my office and spend some time and talk. Whether in the class or chatting with others in the halls, Darrell always had a smile on his face and lit up a room. His positive attitude was infectious. He will always have a place in our hearts. We will miss him deeply”

Jim Tucker, former adviser at The Collegian, worked closely with Copeland during his time as sports editor.

“I taught at Fresno State for almost 40 years and probably had about 10,000 students, and Darrell was one of my favorites,” Tucker said. “He was just really fun to work with and he worked hard. He knew all sports well. I was hard on him sometimes and he took criticism very well. He wanted to learn.”

Brandon Santiago went to Fresno State with Copeland and graduated with him in 2009.

“That was one of my last memories: me, him and a friend were sitting together for our caps and gowns, and it was a very long wait,” Santiago said. “[Copeland] made the wait very bearable.”

Copeland was the sports editor and reporter at The Collegian for four years. He later went to work at the Fresno Grizzlies as a sports information manager.
Only one GOP candidate can defeat Obama: Ron Paul

Bolton, the ultra-hawk Bush-era ambassador to the United Nations. These candidates, frankly, do not have a chance. There are a few who have legitimate opportunities to win the nomination, but every potential candidate has a fatal flaw that will doom him or her in a race against the politically adept Obama.

Nate Gonzich, the Clinton-era Speaker of the House, is likely running. His infidelities will be a big problem for him. The biggest problem is that he’s likely the most unpopular Republican in America.

Sarah Palin probably won’t run, but her brand can show support among social conservatives. Her problem is that she is incredibly partisan, which may result in notoriety and huge support from her base but also results in incredibly high negatives. She won’t get independent support, which is needed in a general election.

Donald Trump should not be seen as a legitimate candidate, but alas, according to polls, he cannot be ignored. He likely is just trying to get attention, but he will not survive a vetting process by the media and the opposition. I suspect there is too much poison in him for this to happen.

The two who, according to polls and the media, have the best chance of winning are Mike Huckabee and Mitt Romney, the man who will be a formidable foe to the Republican be?

Ron Paul does better than every candidate except Mike Huckabee and Mitt Romney in the polls against Obama.

However, even if he does win the nomination, he has one huge problem — for the base. He will not be able to successfully combat Obama in the general election when the single biggest policy the president passed was to extend the life of a lazy and inept Romney passed as governor of Massachusetts.

Who could actually challenge Obama? Who could actually bring change to the government?

The one man who could is Ron Paul. Before you scoff and say that Paul could never get elected, know this: Paul does better than every candidate except Huckabee and Romney in the polls against Obama. According to Public Policy Polling, his favorability rating, an important early caucus state, is better than every candidate except Huckabee. In New Hampshire, an important early primary state, his favorability rating is better than every candidate except Romney.

In one poll last year, he lost to Obama by just one point. Paul, who announced the formation of an exploratory committee yesterday, is a serious candidate with serious ideas, whether it be opposing military intervention overseas, advocating a strong dollar or promoting a balanced budget.

Most of all, as his new book “Liberty Defined” makes plain, he knows how to make America a nation of liberty once again. “We must come to imagine liberty again,” says Paul, “and believe that it can be a reality. In order to do this, we do not need songs, slogans, rallies, programs, or even a political party. All we need is good ideas, some degree of idealism, and the courage to embrace the liberty that so many great people of the past have embraced.”
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humans existed, and watched us evolve. The invisible elf on my shoulder has told me of this. He also says that the invisible elves made up the whole idea of religion in order to mess with Humans. They thought this prank was very funny.

You don't believe in invisible elves? You don't believe there is one on my shoulder? Well, why should I be the one to prove that they exist? I submit that you must instead prove that invisible elves do not exist and until you do so, I have proven that your God does not exist.

There. As you can see, uprooting your burden of proof creates an endless air hockey game that neither side wins. The only way around this is that the person making the positive claim must bring the evidence!*

Response:

"Anonymous": ‘I took a moment to read Bre Nasti’s (what an awesome name!) letter last week, and I suppose one could say she should lighten up. I also assume that The Collegian verified any possible legal ramifications of making up quotes with real people’s names, or else they wouldn’t have done it. That being said, while I find it pretty hard to take offense to any of it, whether or not one enjoys the fake-holiday of April Fool’s is fine I guess, but to use a newspaper to carry out such fun and games is another matter. It’s pretty obvious that the person who’s making the positive claim must bring the evidence!*

Response:

"Olivia Benson": ‘Affirmative action is fine; in fact, it still exists. Prop. 209 did not outlaw affirmative action, it outlawed racial preferences, which is what many affirmative action programs have been downgraded to.”

OP-ED

WHO’S FOOLIN’ WHO

By Meja Aldrich

W hat’s so bad about cheating? Come on admit it. Most of us have committed some form of academic dishonesty. Here is the problem. Practicing such fraudulent behavior inhibits the growth of personal integrity, an attribute sought in any career field and by any employer. As students of Fresno State, we want to be proud of our educational experience. It is important that every student benefit from the knowledge each instructor has to offer. When students dodge workloads by cheating they miss out on useful information for future success. After all, aren’t we paying for this education? Not only does academic dishonesty negatively affect the individual but also the instructor, other classmates and the schools reputation. What are our priorities as students? Is our focus to gain a degree or to become inspired and who doesn’t. And it is the same with instructors. Students have copies! The use of anti-plagiarism sites such as turnitin.com can also discourage the temptation. Remember “educators,” lazy teachers produce lazy students.

Academically dishonest students also damage a school’s reputation. Poor performance from graduates suggest to employers that Fresno State produces inadequate employees. In all honesty, this school has some damn good programs and many dedicated instructors who work hard to make this an excellent educational experience. Let’s not let them down.

Because the issue goes beyond the act of cheating the real question remains, why do we cheat? What is the cause? Is it status, laziness, not enough time, difficulty or just the enjoyment of the act? It’s all of the above. But let’s be honest with ourselves. As individuals we all struggle with issues such as lack of self-confidence, poor work habits, offset priorities, underdeveloped study habits, substance abuse, internal emotional trials and limited resources. Matters such as these are more closely related to the cause of academic dishonesty. But mostly it is pure laziness.

“A” as a transfer student, had answers to every test question for two of my classes and one fully-completed class project within the first month of attendance. Thanks Greeks.

The amount of academic dishonesty within the fraternity and sorority system is atrocious. Teachers, the creation of new tests each semester is crucial. Too many instructors reuse old tests or projects and expect students to not have copies. Trust me, students have copies! The use of anti-plagiarism sites such as turnitin.com can also discourage the temptation. Remember “educators,” lazy teachers produce lazy students.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bowling league

I am on the women’s bowling team here at Fresno State. During spring break our men’s team competed in Georgia for the national title and they came home with a victory. They are the 2011 National Champions of Intercollegiate Bowling and we defeated a team that was ranked No. 1 in the country for the past three years. Our final match was recorded on ESPN and it will broadcast Sunday, May 15 at 2 p.m. Their story has been on the local news channels and it would be great to see a story about it in The Collegian.

— Vanessa Carrillo

Criminology major
Facebook launches deals program, rivals Groupon

By Ellen Gibson
Associated Press

What happens when you cross a social network with one of the hottest business models in e-commerce: daily deals and coupons?

Facebook is launching a deals program Tuesday in five U.S. cities, following on the popularity of other services that offer deep discounts on everything from live-snake demos to a children’s sleepover at the California Academy of Sciences in San Francisco.

Facebook now wants a part of that. It hopes to exploit its existing networks of friends and family and when it begins testing offers in San Diego, San Francisco, Atlanta, Dallas and Austin, Texas, that these deals sites have a social component. For instance, if you get three friends to buy a LivingSocial voucher, yours is free. Groupon’s offers become valid only after a certain number of people purchase them. Of course, the deals are circulated to users through email, and the community aspect is secondary. Facebook is hoping to change that.

“We’re building a product that is social from the ground up,” says Emily White, director of local for Facebook. “All of these deals are things you want to do with friends, so no need to whitewashing, yes but yes to river rafting.”

Starting Tuesday, when Facebook users log in to the site, they will see a deals insignia at the bottom of the page. To get the program started, Facebook launched a product called Check-in Deals that allowed users to “check in” via their mobile phones when they visit certain businesses. In turn, Facebook receive discounts and other special offers. Location-based social network Foursquare has a similar program.

Offers through Facebook can last anywhere from a day to a week. The social network won’t disclose how much commission it takes. (With Groupon and others, the site typically takes up half the revenue.)

There are hundreds of Groupon copycats willing to accept lower commissions, but many small businesses prefer to partner with larger companies such as Groupon and LivingSocial because they reach more potential customers.

Groupon will bring deals to even more places. While Groupon has 76 million members and LivingSocial 28 million, Facebook has 500 million users worldwide. Add to that the fact that many small businesses already have a Facebook presence, and the social network becomes a good fit for daily deals, says Greg Sterling, senior analyst for Opus Research.

Groupon declined to comment on Facebook’s competitive threat or whether the coupon site will continue to advertise on Facebook, a share of overall Web surfing, visits to group-buying sites grew ten-fold over the past year, according to market research firm Experian. LivingSocial had 7 million unique visitors in March, up 27 percent from February, making it one of the fastest-growing websites in the U.S., according to ComScore.

“Groupon and LivingSocial have shown how much demand there is out there,” Sterling says. “Facebook, if they do this right, can have a big hit on their hands.”

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Health class hosts free HIV testing day

By Dana Hull  
The Collegian

More than 100 people turned out for the Sexually Transmitted Infection testing day that happened on campus earlier this month.

The theme for the event on April 11th was “Test Yourself Before You Wreck Yourself,” where students were invited to be tested for HIV free of charge. Planned Parenthood was at the event handing out free condoms, a representative from Fresno State’s Health Center came to give information, and the Fresno County Health Department did the actual testing.

The public health 90, contemporary health issues class decided to host the event for students after a discussion in class sparked the idea.

“If people get tested there will be less people getting infected with HIV,” Sydnee Capshew, a student in the class, said.

Capshew said that more students showed up at the event than they could actually test.

“We had 80 sign up, but we could only get through two people per half hour,” she said.

According to Capshew, some of the other students were referred to the university’s health center, or their numbers were taken down so they could be given more information later.

Ashlie Day, another member of the class, said that she hopes the event catches on, and Fresno State, along with other universities, will begin to hold these types of events on a regular basis.

“We wanted students to be more comfortable talking about HIV and STIs because it’s kind of a taboo topic,” Day said. “The whole goal was that this will hopefully be an ongoing event, if not a couple times a year; at least annually so [the rate of] HIV and STI’s won’t go up in college students,” she said.

According to national data from the Center of Disease Control, nearly half of sexually active people will contract a Sexually Transmitted Infection by the time they are 25 years old.

“One of the main issues we wanted to address was that many people don’t know they have an STI,” Dr. Greg Thatcher, assistant professor of public health, said. “Many STI’s do not initially have symptoms (asymptomatic) and others have latency periods.”

Thatcher said that the turnout did they receive demonstrated the students’ concern about their health.

Having 100 students want to be tested for an STI in public, without regard to stigma, is huge.

Despite the turnout, only 16 students were actually tested due to the fact that there was a 20 to 30 minute wait for the results.

Thatcher said that a lot of students don’t realize that they can get the same testing at the health center with its Family Pact program.

The students from the class funded the entire event out of their own pockets. The cost was approximately $500, which included providing snacks, water and T-shirts for those who were tested. They also handed out information about every type of STI.

McClatchy suffers $2 million loss in first quarter

By Associated Press

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High school students pave the way for FFA

By Karlena Franz
The Collegian

High school students crowded Fresno State’s campus to compete in the April 16 Future Farmers of America field day hosted by the Agriculture Education and Animal Science department. FFA is a national organization that has been around since 1928. Students came from across California to compete in the various contests from light horse judging, livestock judging, floriculture, and farm business management to small engine judging.

There are half a million students involved with FFA across the nation. There are a total of 34 events that compose FFA, but only 25 of the events were held at Fresno State. Those who join FFA learn skills in speaking, management and get to do hands-on projects that can help them in their future careers.

“It gets a lot of good students on campus,” Steve Rocca said, advisor of FFA field day.

People on campus may have seen nearly 2,100 high school students decked out in navy blue corduroy jackets listing where they were from with black pants. This is an official dress code that FFA students have to wear to some events along with ties for males and scarves for females.

Although faculty mainly ran the event, Fresno State student volunteers made up a huge effort to make the events run smoothly. Many Fresno States students helped out with registration, cleaning up facilities or being group leaders of high school students. Fresno State students also had an opportunity to be a reason taker, someone who has to listen to each student’s reason about how they judged. FFA field day benefits those who participate in it as well as Fresno State. Many students, who visited for field day, do return for enrollment.

“I have done some research of when students came to campus for field day and found many of those who came, a lot of them ended up coming back here for school,” Rocca said. “I have heard students say, I remember coming here for field day as a kid.”

High school students also get a chance to interact with the faculty and current Fresno State students, as well as seeing the campus and what it has to offer. It isn’t often that students get an opportunity to do this. High school students traveled to Fresno State from as far south as Hemet and as north as Tule Lake.

“It is a great recruiting tool.” Rocca said. “We have a very powerful outreach to students.”

Animal science major Kyle Bower was apart of FFA in high school, and he currently helps with field day at Fresno State. He competed in the livestock evaluation, but now he helps run the beef judging.

“The main thing it taught me was to be financially aware, to make a budget and keep to it.” Bower said.

Bower joined FFA partly because his family was involved with it.

The light horse judging was one of the events that was held at the Quarter Horse unit. High school students had to judge horse conformation, reining and hunter under saddle. More than 100 students came and competed in the horse judging.

Those who participated in the horse judging got a unique chance to see a breed of horse that is rare. Fresno State is one of the only schools to have a Hackney Horse program. Many people have never heard of the Hackney Horse breed.

“It is a good chance for them to see the Hackney Horses,” Dr. Anne Rodiek said, who manages the quarter horse unit. “And it showcases our program as a whole.”

Rodiek agrees that having field day at Fresno State is a great recruiting tool. High school students are more likely to want to come back when they actually get to physically see the campus, meet the people and experience a day on the college campus.

Summer Arts requirements don’t faze students

By Gladys Garcia, Danielle Solich and Jose Alvarez
The Collegian

Not many people have the bragging rights to say that they have met one of their idols, let alone been able to put their name down on their resume — unless they have been a Summer Arts student.

“It’s like someone handing you something on a silver platter that’s worth 15 grand in L.A.,” Dr. Benjamin Boone said, a Fresno State music professor and Summer Arts course coordinator.

The Summer Arts program is a rigorous two-week, multi-disciplinary course designed to give students the opportunity to work side-by-side with award-winning professionals in the art industry. The program provides students with the opportunity to perfect their talents in: theater, music, visual arts, writing, new media or a combination of any two courses — all while earning three units per course.

Getting accepted is a competitive process. A course coordinator, a CSU faculty member, specializing in that form of art, oversees each course and they are the ones that set the rules.

“Each of our courses has a course coordinator, this is the person who has put the class together.” Jackie Doamnanian, the Summer Arts community relations specialist, said. “They’re the liaison between our program and the guest artists coming in, and they are also the ones that decide who gets into the class.”

The qualifications and experience required for each program varies, but most require some genuine understanding of the particular art form. Otherwise it would be extremely difficult for the student to keep up with the professionals.

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of that experience, from the stone-paved streets to the countless hours working on oil paintings to the opportunity to work with models reminiscent of those used in the works of Sandro Botticelli.

Domenic Cretara was Batty’s instructor at Summer Arts in 2006. The retired Long Beach State professor remembers Batty as an excellent student.

“Leslie is indeed enthusiastic and energetic,” Cretara said. “It seems to me those qualities are essential for any one trying to excel in any field of endeavor.”

Cretara said that Leslie quickly grasped the artistic problems that were presented, and she applied them to her work in her own personal way. Batty returned to the

Florence program again in 2010, this time as a graduate student. Her work won numerous awards and was showcased at the ESL Chancellor’s Office.

“It seemed all these doors of opportunities opened up,” Batty said. “It’s an amazing resource for culture, especially for those who are economically compromised.” Batty is starting to Find some success as a studio artist. Her work is currently exhibited throughout California at the College of the Sequoias in Visalia, the Corridor 2122 Gallery in downtown Fresno and El Camino College Art Gallery in Torrance.

“Leslie has a married life, a family life, and an art career, and it’s what a lot of women strive for,” Youdelman said. She has remained close friends with Batty.

Youdelman was responsible for recommending her for the El Camino College Art Gallery that opened Monday, March 28. According to Youdelman, the “unCommon threads” exhibition showcases artists whose work features clothing, patterns and sewing.

While Batty has not taken any of the Summer Arts classes held on the Fresno State campus, she encourages students interested in any of the fields taught at the program to take advantage of the opportunity.

“It seems like this out-of-this-world experience where you can launch your career and your life,” Batty said.

Cretara, who has taught and coordinated courses in both Florence as well as Fresno, said that Fresno’s relative isolation and lack of big-city distractions gives students the opportunity to really focus on their studies.

“They learn an amazing amount in a very short time,” Cretara said. “It is rigorous, demanding and exhilarating, and I have seen it change people’s lives.”

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BATTY: "The stuff we've seen in history books, we got to experience."
Royal Style

Kate Middleton brings regal fashion sense to the people

By Maddie Shannon
The Collegian

Twenty years ago, Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer got married in a swirl of questions: “What will she wear?” and “Simple, or overstated?” Tastes have changed since then, but the questions haven’t. Since Prince William and Catherine Middleton announced their engagement to the press in November, the exact same questions have been asked.

Despite plenty of speculation going around concerning what she will wear the day of, never mind what she’ll wear. Middleton’s previous ensembles she’s been seen in have ensured her place in the public eye as a fashion icon. Her hats, in particular, have inspired not just British, but American women to create what Vogue magazine calls “personal fantasies.” Feathered and floral hats, accessories Middleton wears quite frequently, have started a massive wave of popularity across two continents for hats similar to the ones she wears.

According to Vogue’s Sarah Mower, fashion’s greatest names are in agreement that the royal wedding will usher in a new era of fashion: the era of personal taste. Middleton, a connoisseur of individual style if there ever was one, has done something staunchly un-British: she broke the rules.

“Rules are boring,” Philip Treacy of couture fame told Mower in her story, “Heads up on the Royal Wedding: London’s Milliners are Ready for the Off.” “It’s just about individuality. There are no rules.”

Comparisons between this royal bride and the last abound. Diana, who appealed to us rowdy Americans because of her free-spirited personality, was a bigger risk-taker in fashion than is Middleton. The style rules maintained by generations of British royals mandated a sleek, polished look. Elegance and posh, two things

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ROYAL: Soon-to-be-princess modern fashion icon

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that Diana didn’t dress like at the beginning of her time in the public eye, managed to define the sense of dress Kate Middleton had from the beginning.

From the very first time Prince William set eyes on his future bride (when she was modeling a black see-through dress she designed herself) to the formal announcement of their engagement (where she sported the now much-copied blue Danielle Issa Hayela dress), setting the standard for personal style is something the princess-to-be had down pat from the start.

In the eight years she’s been Prince William’s girlfriend, the British press (our gossipmonger counterparts across the pond) has encouraged the young women of the United Kingdom to “Be a Copy Kate.”

Not to mention the most important thing that Middleton has ever worn. Her engagement ring, the same ring Prince Charles gave to Lady Diana, has inspired countless cheap (and expensive) knockoffs, just like the last time the sapphire-and-diamond encrusted ring graced the hand of a future royal bride.

Needless to say, William and Kate’s wedding on Thursday will be the biggest wedding of our generation, just as Charles and Diana’s was for our parents’. Middleton, in all her fashionable glory, will no doubt set a new standard for wedding dresses that, similar to the time she designed herself, inspired other dress she’s worn until now, will inspire knockoffs for weddings to come. Sound the trumpets.

What guy’s think about women’s fashion

By Tony Petersen

Let’s be honest — most guys don’t know much about fashion. Survey the wardrobe of the average college male and you’ll likely find an assortment of T-shirts, ranging from our favorite sports team to a ‘70s rock band we don’t listen to. Guys have six pairs of shoes, as opposed to, say, 60 pairs for girls.

So when Maddie Shannon, our editor of arts and entertainment, asked me to write a column about what looks good on women from a guy’s point of view, I was a little apprehensive. Nevertheless, I signed on to write it.

So ladies, remember to take my suggestions with a grain of salt — I’m the guy who walks around campus in mocca-sins.

Regardless, here are five things I think about women’s fashion.

1) You can wear too much makeup. Don’t get me wrong, guys like it when girls are constantly fishing for compliments. He confident. You don’t have to look like Barbie to be sexy. Besides, if Barbie was a real person, according to The Huffington Post, she’d be 5 feet 9 inches, have a 28-inch bust, an 18-inch waist, 33-inch hips, a size-three shoe and weigh 110 pounds.

2) Dress modestly. I brush against you in the hallway, my eye, managed to define the sense of dress Kate Middleton had from the beginning.


4) Simplicity is a good thing. Believe it or not, one of the sexiest things to a guy is when you are wear- ing sweats and one of his T-shirts. We like it when you dress simply. You don’t have to dress extravagantly all the time. Wearing jeans with a jersey you’re wearing sweats and one of his T-shirts. We like it when you dress simply. You

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Word of the Day
Friend high

The pleasant “high” feeling one acquires around close friends, often compared to being on some sort of drug. Accompanied by lots of laughing, stupidity, excitement, good conversation, and loud obnoxiousness, i.e. the act of getting “high” off another’s good friendship vibes.

Source: UrbanDictionary.com
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New signee plays guard, post position still in question

By Matt Weir
The Collegian File Photo

Greg Smith’s departure for the professional ranks leaves a big void in the Fresno State frontcourt. Likewise, John Ryan’s apparent departure after one season with the Bulldogs leaves just Bracken Funk down low.

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Center John Ryan also is not returning for next season according to Scout.com after his first year at Fresno State. During this past season, Ryan averaged 11 points and 11 rebounds after playing in 17 games.

With these two players leaving at a crucial position, the real question is what is the next step for the new Fresno State coach?

The former Texas assistant has to find a couple post players that will rebound and block shots, an answer he will likely have to find on the recruiting trail.

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SAN DIEGO (AP) — The Michigan State-North Carolina basketball game on an aircraft carrier on San Diego Bay on Veterans Day will be one tough ticket.

If you’re Michael Jordan or Magic Johnson, no problem. If you’re among the approximately 4,000 military personnel selected, come on board. If you’re real tight with either school, you might have a fighting chance.

Otherwise, a seat in front of a TV is going to be the only way to see the first NCAA hoops game to be played on a flat top.

Organizer Mike Whalen of Morale Entertainment Foundation said tickets won’t be sold to the public. They’ll be free to those lucky enough to be chosen, and scalpers will be out of luck. Whalen said ticket holders’ names will be printed on the front, and ID must match.

“It makes sure that the right people are going to the game and that there’s no aftermarket,” Whalen said Monday. “It’s an added measure of security. Again, this is a United States warship. We’ve got to make sure we know who’s coming onboard the ship.”

Jordan and Johnson are expected to be the honorary captains.

For obvious reasons, organizers won’t know until much closer to the Nov. 11 game which aircraft carrier will serve as host. It probably will be the USS Ronald Reagan or the USS Carl Vinson, said Whalen, who’s spent time in San Diego meeting with Navy officials.

A court and stadium seating for about 7,000 fans will be set up on the flight deck. In case of rain, the game will be moved below to the hangar deck, with bleacher seating for the fans.

Each school will get 750 tickets, 400 will go to coaches participating in a clinic and 1,000 will go to the Morale Entertainment Foundation and its partners: the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, Wounded Warrior Project and the San Diego Air & Space Museum.

Although the teams’ travel expenses will be paid by organizers, each school is giving up a home date — and the money it would have made. Whalen said talks with ESPN to broadcast the game should be finalized this week. Tipoff will be shortly after 4 p.m. San Diego time.

Whalen said organizers also plan a postgame concert on the carrier.

San Diego was the logical port.

“Veterans Day is sort of a somber holiday. We look to change that,” said Whalen, who served in the Marine Corps. “It should be more than a day off. It’s going to be a day to look forward to because we’re going to have a good time.”

No public tickets for Mich. St-UNC carrier game

Stadium on aircraft carrier to hold only 7,000 fans, public admittance non-existent

By Bernie Wilson
Associated Press

Harrison Barnes was the Tar Heels’ leading scorer last year with 15.7 points per game and opted to return for another year at North Carolina.

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of winning the award. I knew it would be if not for my team and the whole athletic department. It was a really great moment.”

Both Bell and Mason relived the moments that made them feel they are today. Bell told how a severe injury on the football field brought him to the realization that no athlete can compete forever, and that an athlete’s playing days are limited. Mason recounted how her experience with the volleyball team brought her to the realization that sometimes a severe injury on the football field brought him to the realization that sometimes an athlete’s playing days are limited.

The night also honored the Western Athletic Conference championship teams of the previous year, which included baseball, soccer, women’s basketball, women’s tennis, and football player Garrett Weber. The Thaxter Awards went to Kevin Bergman, while the Bill Kennedy Scholarship went to Devry Ortiz for her work on the Bulldog training staff.

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Moses garner WAC honor

Fresno State dual threat softball player Michelle Moses was named this week’s Verizon Western Athletic Conference Hitter of the Week.

Moses had a stellar spring break, especially in Fresno State’s three-game sweep of Utah State this past weekend. The junior hit three home runs, including a grand slam. Sheedy said, “I just happened to be in the right place at the right time. My teammates did all the hard work before this moment.”

The Thaxter Awards went to Kevin Bergman, while the Bill Kennedy Scholarship went to Devry Ortiz for her work on the Bulldog training staff.

There were also 145 athletes who have been enrolled for a year, competed in at least half of the team’s events and maintained a minimum of a 3.0 GPA, an increase of almost 50 who accomplished the feat last year. There were 302 student-athletes who received a 3.0, or higher with a total of 241 times on the Dean’s List. 18 of which had a perfect 4.0. record while 41 had at least one semester with that mark.
The fourth annual “Night of Champions” honored Fresno State’s premier student-athletes on Monday, acknowledging their accomplishments both on and off the field.

The night’s top awards of Bulldog of the Year went to Eric Battles for his accomplishments in track and field and cross country, along with Katie Lee for her performance with the soccer team. Both have also excelled in the classroom with Battles earning a 3.94 GPA and Lee a 4.0.

The other male student-athletes receiving nominations for Bulldog of the Year were Remi Boutillier for tennis, Nedeljko Golubovic for basketball and Brian Sunker for golf. The other females nominees were Haley Gilleland in softball, Jaleesa Ross in basketball and Dani Yoho in swimming.

The night also featured the speeches given by this year’s Bulldog Spirit Award winners Lorne Bell and Kelly Mason, both seniors.

“I think it’s a really great way to wrap up my four years at Fresno State,” Mason said. “I was really proud.

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Battles, Lee named Bulldogs of the Year

By Tim Salazar
The Collegian

The Fresno State baseball team hosts the WAC’s top squad in Hawaii with a four-game series beginning Friday.

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Track and field distance runner Eric Battles (above) and soccer player Katie Lee (right) were honored Monday afternoon for their contributions in the classroom and on the playing field.

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