The Laramide Orogeny was the most important thing to happen to North America since the rifting event that occurred near the close of the Precambrian.

What are the 5 most important events *since* the Laramide Orogeny? Use the list from lecture, or if you wish, modify as you think appropriate.

For each of these 5 events, describe the most important lasting impacts they have on the current-day western U.S.