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Fire crews from throughout the county work to put out the Stearns Wharf inferno Wednesday night.

Stearns Wharf a Hotbed of Activity as Fire Destroys Businesses on Pier

BY GRETCHEN MACCHIARELLA
Staff Writer

Hundreds of spectators came from all over the area to watch as a Santa Barbara landmark went up in flames Wednesday night.

The far quarter of Stearns Wharf was engulfed in flames, as a fire that began around 10 p.m. burned through the night. Although the origin and cause of the fire are still being investigated by the Santa Barbara Fire Dept., the damage was immediately evident,

according to Santa Barbara County Fire Capt. Charlie Johnson.

"The original reports were that Moby Dick's [restaurant] was on fire, but it will be days before they have confirmation [of the cause]," he said.

The fire was combated by several crews from throughout the county, as well as by water underneath the pier that helped suppress the flames, according to Santa Barbara Fire Dept. public information officer Pete Ramsdell.

"We have about 50 firefighters

out here," he said. "We have one crew from Montecito, three crews from the county and one crew from Carpinteria ... We've got the Coast Guard and Harbor Patrol [using] cutters."

The destruction on the pier was confined to Moby Dick, the Santa Barbara Shellfish Co., a bait shop, a maintenance shed and the fishing area. At press time the fire had been contained to this area, although it had spread to the pylons below the wharf. Johnson said the fire department had used chainsaws to cut approximately a 4-foot



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Firefighters battle the blaze at Moby Dick Restaurant, where it allegedly started.

trough in the boardwalk to help control the blaze.

According to Ramsdell, the fire department responded quickly, but the fire had already taken hold and unfavorable wind shifts spread the fire across the pier.

Dave Johnson of Santa Barbara

Public Works said the fire will probably not affect other businesses on the wharf very much.

"The likelihood is we'll reopen fairly soon," he said. "It's probably going to take two years [to rebuild

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Administration's Failure to See Teaching Assistants' Union Sparks Strike

BY ANNE BINGHAM
Reporter

After hours of deliberation Wednesday night, the graduate student strike committee voted to initiate a strike by the end of Fall Quarter.

Teaching assistants have formed the Associated Student Employees union and affiliated themselves with United Auto Workers. Failure of the UC administration to recognize TAs as employees and ASE/UAW union members has created a dispute, which will have far-reaching consequences for graduate students, faculty and undergraduates. According to Graduate Students Association Internal President Chris Martin, the possibility of a strike arose in the spring.

"Last spring [grad students] voted to authorize a strike," he said. "The way the vote was worded, if the university chose to recognize the union we wouldn't strike. So far the university has chosen not to do this."

Martin said that TAs' working conditions

are better in some departments than others.

"The main gripe came from humanities and social sciences departments," he said. "It seems in these departments TAs are taken advantage of. This is not so much the case in the natural sciences."

TAs devote a significant amount of unpaid overtime to grading papers, according to Martin.

"These jobs end up being these 30- or 40-hour monstrosities," he said.

External GSA President Jesse DeAro said a group of union representatives made a unanimous decision to strike.

"Union members voted to create a strike committee made up of 11 people. It is the determiner of whether or not there will be a strike," she said.

The strike will be of limited duration, during which time TAs will not hold sections, grade assignments, e-mail or call students, according to DeAro.

"It will be a set period of time for the strike vs. an open-ended one until they get what they want," she said.

Despite the strike, grades will be calculated for the quarter, Martin said.

"[TAs] have to hand in all grades they've compiled so far and give them to the faculty member in charge of the class," he said.

According to strike committee member John Baranski, the committee's vote was based on the feelings of union members and the general level of support for the strike.

"We've been talking to members one on one, doing department meetings and having general membership meetings," he said.

According to English Professor Porter Abbott, a TA strike will force him to make significant changes to his curriculum, which currently includes essay exams.

"I don't know whether my TAs will strike or not, but what I hope to do is personally meet with sections, the ones that I can," he said. "I will have to figure out how I can design some kind of multiple-choice format final exam, something amenable to scantron that is academically worthwhile."

Student Lobby Representative Devin Molina said efforts are underway to coordi-

nate outreach to undergraduates regarding the strike. Tables by the UCen and announcements in lecture classes will offer information and support a letter-writing campaign to the administration, he added.

"The TA strike isn't meant to harm undergraduates. It's meant to put pressure on the administration to recognize the union," Molina said.

According to Molina, Fall Quarter grades may be delayed, and seniors or others needing the grades immediately should talk to their professors.

"There won't be any TAs to grade papers. Faculty or administrators will have to do it," he said. "Grades will be delayed ... it's not like the quarter's not going to count."

Philosophy 20 TA Steve Fortner said that he does not plan to join his striking colleagues.

"The reason I don't want to strike is partially a personal choice," he said. "I think when you decide a teacher's what you want to

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Top of the News

Asia in Depression, U.S. Economy Stays Strong



KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — The skyscrapers are half empty here, and the jobs are disappearing. Compare that to America, where the stock market has bounced back and unemployment is at historic lows.

Federal Reserve Chair Alan Greenspan's description of the United States as an "oasis of prosperity" in a troubled world doesn't even begin to describe the huge gulf between America's good times and many other nations' very hard times.

In all, 40 percent of the world is in recession, and this region is ground zero of the suffering. Indeed, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia and South Korea have gone beyond recessions to outright depressions, rivaling America's Great Depression of the 1930s.

The disparity is causing

problems as officials try to come up with solutions to help the countries in trouble.

Vice President Al Gore met with other leaders at an opulent hotel, just one of

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many added to a Kuala Lumpur skyline that boasts the world's tallest skyscrapers, the twin Petronas towers.

But many of the big office towers now stand half empty.

Construction cranes are idle, food staples such as flour and oil have been in short supply and unemployment has doubled in a year — it's 6 percent and climbing, the highest in a decade.

In Thailand, 250,000

children have been taken out of school because their families can't afford tuition. In South Korea, 2.2 million workers have been laid off as the country's once mighty corporate giants face painful futures.

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ple back into poverty, wiping out decades of progress in raising living standards, the World Bank estimates.

Economic output already has fallen 17 percent in Indonesia and around 7 percent in Malaysia, South Korea and Thailand. In the United States a decline of just 0.9 percent in the last recession was severe enough to prompt voters to turn President Bush out of office.

And today, in stark contrast to Asia, the U.S. eco-

nomy is roaring through its eighth consecutive year of economic growth, a peacetime record.

Growth will slow next year, but any fears of a U.S. recession have eased now that the Federal Reserve has aggressively cut U.S. interest rates. Those moves also have sparked a rebound in the American stock market and helped stabilize Asian markets as well.

That doesn't mean the United States has been untouched. In Washington, the government reported Wednesday that the U.S. trade deficit so far this year is running at a record annual rate of \$166 billion, a whopping 50 percent higher than last year.

The growing deficit reflects Asia's troubles. American farmers and factories have lost valuable export markets as the steep Asian recessions have cut into demand for U.S. products.

AP WIRE SHORTS

U.S. (AP) — It is just two minutes and 10 seconds long, but it's already causing such a buzz that fans are shelling out the full cost of a movie just to get a peek.

The cause of the frenzy is the trailer of George Lucas' long-awaited prequel: "Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace."

At New York's Sony Lincoln Square, Jim Dellafore paid full price, then left after the trailer without sticking around for the feature presentation. He wasn't alone: Movie theaters across the country reported similar fan reactions.

"It's going to be excellent," Dellafore said of "Episode I," which won't come out until May 21.

The trailer itself won't appear nationwide until Friday. But for a few loyal fans who were in the know, there was a sneak preview in 75 theaters across the country on Tuesday.

More than 20 years after "Star Wars" exploded onto theater screens, "Episode I" is the first of a new trilogy that goes back in time. The film traces how Luke Skywalker's father was seduced by the Dark Side and became Darth Vader.

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Authorities have discovered the remains of 25 children in a western state capital and fear some were victims of satanic rituals.

The bodies — almost all of them skeletons — were found in two searches in Pereira, a city of 700,000 people about 110 miles from Bogota.

Twelve of the victims were found Tuesday in a riverbed below a city highway.

The other remains were discovered last week, scattered in underbrush in a city lot, after a child came across a skull. Forensic experts believe the oldest of the victims was 16 and at least half were 10 or under, Osorio said.

Authorities were considering a range of motives, from possible "social cleansing" of suspected juvenile delinquents by vigilante squads to satanic cults.

Liquor bottles were found beside many of the victims, two of whom were tied to trees and apparently tortured, Luis Fernando Henao of the mayor's office reported.

"It's a city where satanism is widely practiced, and there's a lot of talk that children are used in rituals," said Henao.

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — Orange County officials have made life a little easier for communists.

Party members no longer have to register with the Sheriff's Dept. following a sweep of outdated ordinances. The Board of Supervisors on Tuesday repealed 243 local laws deemed unnecessary, old or unconstitutional.

The law on communist registration dates back to the 1950s Cold War era, when retiring servicemen, booming businesses and a local youngster named Richard Nixon helped make Orange County a rampart of the right.

Other repealed rules include a ban on public dancing from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. and a ban on feeding other people's garbage to one's pigs.

And adults are no longer barred from using swings and merry-go-rounds in public parks.

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Weather

Hello everybody, and welcome to another episode of the adventures of weatherhuman's partner in crime, Guest Weatherhuman.

You know, what with my non-gender specific anonymity and all, I've got a lot of time on my hands to ponder the differences between the sexes, and I think a good example of how they are complete polar opposites is what grabs their attention.

On one hand, most girls seem to be intensely interested in anything that is "cute," which, as far as I can tell, is loosely defined as extremely and abnormally small.

For instance, when presented with a small stuffed bear, a girl may think to herself, "INCREDIBLE! Look at how much smaller this thing is than is normally acceptable! Cuuuuuuute."

On the other hand, an average guy will look at this same bear and think, "Boy, that sure was a good hamburger I had a couple hours ago."

Be sure to tune in tomorrow for the chilling conclusion to this epic thesis on gender discrepancies!

Forecast: Our universe is so expansive that even the massive sun will appear to be only a cute little ball of golden fire as it shines down upon us all.

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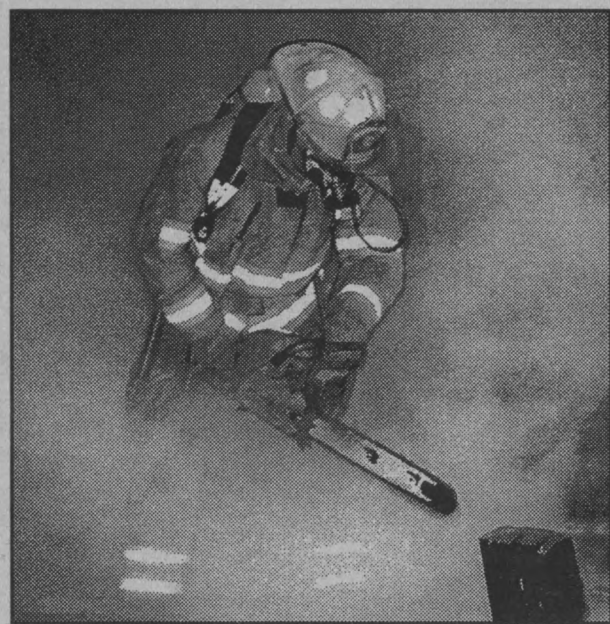
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A firefighter hacks into the pier to thwart the oncoming flames.

FIRE

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The Santa Barbara Police Dept. closed off Cabrillo Boulevard at State Street, so people that came to see the spectacle walked in and lined the beach to watch the fire. Onlookers were kept out of the way by the police, Johnson said.

"The PD is handling the crowd control and the pier evacuation," he said.

One of the spectators, Westmont College senior Ethan Weaver, came down to the waterfront after seeing the fire on the news.

"I went to the top of the hill behind the city and got a

good view from above," he said. "It was just spectacular."

Second-year Santa Barbara City College student Chase Fan was working at the Pasco Nuevo movie theater when he heard about the fire.

"I was at work when I saw the fire on TV. I went out onto State Street and could see the smoke and the glow over the buildings," he said. "By the time I got down to Leadbetter Beach, the flames had died down."

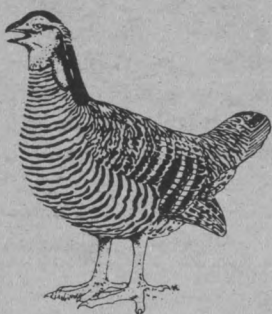
Johnson said the efforts would continue to bring the fire under control.

"Their estimation is that they are going to be out here all night long," he said.



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Answer: Insulation—Styrene; Garbage Bags—Vinyl Chloride; Rubber Cement—Benzene; Electroplating Process—Nickel; Paint Pigment—Naphthalene; Hair Dye Developer—Acetic Acid; Gas Chamber Poison—Hydrogen Cyanide; Embalmer's Glue—Toluene; Rat Poison—Arsenic; Artists' Oil Paints—Cadmium.

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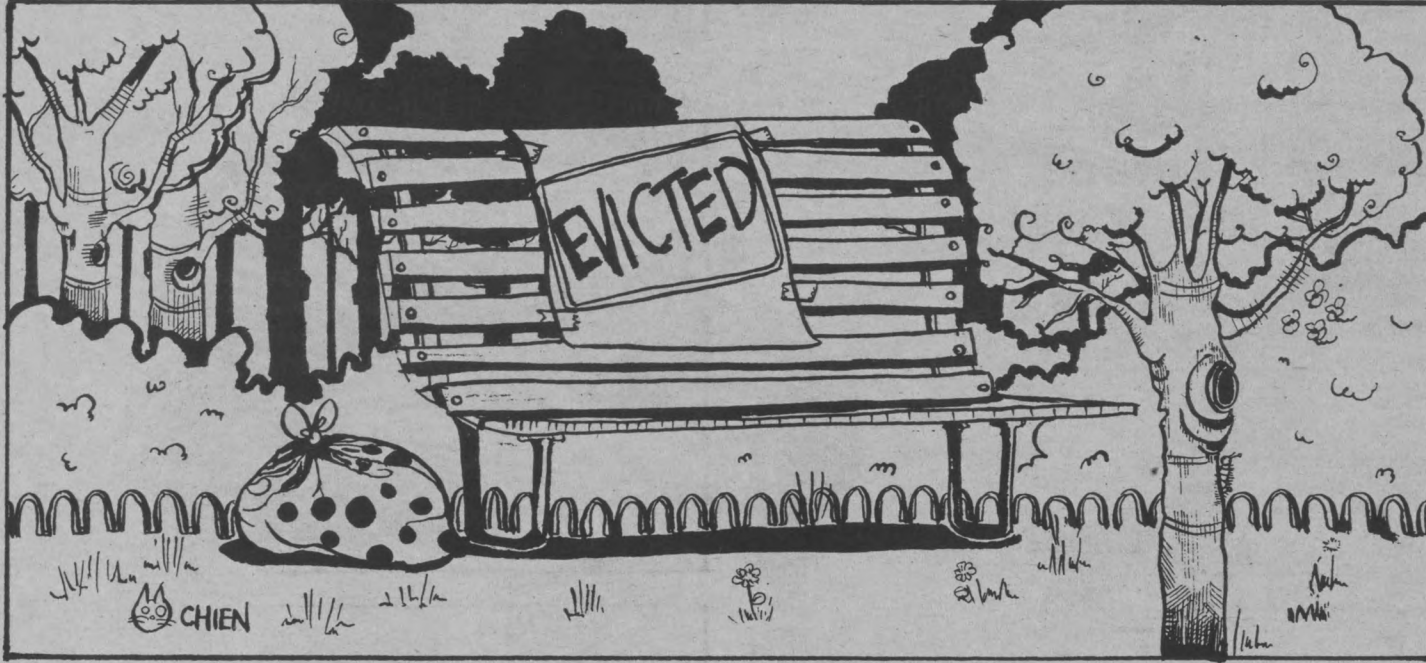
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Left Out in the Cold

Santa Barbara's Homeless Are Rudely Being Forced Off the Streets Without Any Viable Alternative

Downtown Santa Barbara has recently retained the ordinance that prohibits sleeping on benches, in parks or even on the sidewalk. The ordinance basically prohibits sleeping at all for anyone who is homeless and is enforced by police who will be ticketing violators.

This may not seem so outlandish to the many folks who are trying to walk down State Street and are impeded by people along the sidewalk, but since not sleeping is not an option, these people are faced with no alternatives. Santa Barbara doesn't have enough shelters to house the majority of people on the streets, even when the winter shelters are open.

The ticketing was established in the hopes of driving transients away from Santa Barbara, which in itself is a self-centered solution. By sending the people away, no problems are solved, and the homeless are still without homes. They are only where Santa Barbarans can't see them.

Out of sight, out of mind has never proven to be a viable solution to any problem. Although ticketing appears to be the easy way out, it really isn't. It is therefore just a bad solution.

The other disadvantage to ticketing is that since homeless people don't have permanent addresses, they don't show up to court, and a warrant is put out for their arrest. This leads to innocent people clogging up the legal system. While a warm bed in jail may be a good alternative for someone on the streets, it doesn't prove to be a long-term solution.

The dehumanization of the homeless population is the easiest way to justify all the *inhumane* actions that are being taken.

When it is not a person, but a 'bum,' or any other euphemism for someone without a home, it is much easier to assume that they are not human enough to deserve attention or thought. This is obviously not how people should be treated, and a better resolution to the problem of homeless people downtown is more than necessary.

Private and public organizations can work to create programs, such as those that exist in many other cities, where people can go to get a meal and a bed as well as be provided with tools to help them successfully re-enter society. By giving people an address to put on a résumé, clean clothes and a shower — along with the basic human necessities — homeless people who desire to rebuild their lives will be able to.

This idea — at first glance — appears to be an expensive endeavor, but there are many creative ways that an inexpensive alternative to sleeping on the street can be created with cooperation from the community. This will also work to help homeless people begin contributing positively to the economy once again.

The homeless situation as it is right now is clearly not working. Change is needed for both those who call the streets home and for those who live in Santa Barbara and would rather not be confronted with stepping around homeless people on public streets.

But an inhumane and non-proactive solution such as ticketing is not the right temporary or permanent solution. The money shouldn't be wasted, but postponed so that homeless people can sleep in peace until the time when a plausible alternative other than Vivarin is presented.

Sexual Assaults

Anyone Can Commit a Sexual Crime,

CATHY SAWAYA

This is in response to recent concerns by our community on rape and sexual assault. In light of everyone's discussions and emphasis upon providing safety tips for women, I want to provide another point of view.

I do agree that people are responsible for their own actions, and that's it! They are in no way, shape or form responsible for others' actions or reactions. People have a choice in what they want or do not want to do.

BUT people do not and cannot control the actions of other people, nor is it their responsibility to do so. We need to remember that the majority of people who commit rape are male, and those who violate others are the only ones accountable for the crime they commit.

If someone stole my keys, who cares if I left them in the door while I ran upstairs in my apartment to grab something? They committed the crime regardless of the amount of stupidity and judgment one wants to place on my actions. I didn't steal the keys, the offender did, and they need to be held accountable! Bottom line!!!

A woman can do anything and everything to defend or protect herself from a potential violation that could occur at any time, anywhere, by anyone. However, she cannot prevent it because prevention starts with violators. Prevention begins with the thoughts, actions and community norms that dictate mindsets and personal activities. If those thoughts, actions and community norms tell people that women in some way are responsible for a crime committed against herself, then we are losing sight of who's responsible for their own actions and for prevention.

She didn't cause it. He has a choice to respect her uncertainty, "no," silence or inability to consent due to intoxication. Males or females who do not respect another person's autonomy and decisions are total PIGS! The main reason I am writing is to challenge people's assumptions and attitudes which present one of the biggest dangers.

I want to challenge not only the suggestion that women somehow can't take care of themselves, but also the attitude that rape only occurs in "the dangerous

The Reader's Voice

HELP PROTEST FORCE- OUT OF I.V. LATINOS

Editor, Daily Nexus:

As concerned students within the Isla Vista/Goleta community, we felt it necessary to notify UCSB students about the ongoing housing crisis.

In recent months, 18 Latino families were evicted from their homes, and are now forced to search for immediate housing in an environment boasting a mere .2 percent vacancy rate.

And what did they do to be tossed out of their homes? Was their rent late? Were they "problem tenants"? Did they violate any part of their housing contracts?

No — their cases do not fall under any of these categories. We believe they have been unfairly targeted because of their low-income status. In spite of their willingness to comply with rent increases (to pay for improvements that have yet to be completed), the landlords still insisted on their eviction. **IN FACT, IT IS COMPLETELY LEGAL FOR OUR LANDLORDS TO EVICT US WITHOUT ANY JUSTIFIABLE REASON.**

This type of injustice is not new to the Isla Vista community. A similar instance occurred in 1994, where Latino families were pushed out of their own homes to facilitate student housing. The landlords, in the absence of a "just cause" law, can continue to evict whomever they choose whenever they find it beneficial to their own interests, fiscal or otherwise.

This not only affects these Latino families, but also has an impact on the community as a whole, especially students. Due to the constantly changing face of Isla Vista, it becomes easy to manipulate incoming students into thinking that the new rent prices are fair. With their limited knowledge of independent living, students tend to be the victims of landlord neglect.

Obviously the unification of students and families acts as a necessary means by which we can combat unfair landlord practices. One way we can do this is by supporting a "just cause" law. Laws of this nature exist in other cities such as Santa Cruz and San Francisco. A "just cause" law is one that requires a landlord to produce probable cause before evicting any given tenant.

A way you can support this "just cause" law is by signing the Just Cause petition. For

more information contact Harley Augustino at the *Families and Students United* at (805) 685-5603 or at the Student Lobby Office in the MultiCultural Center.

STEVE AOKI
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IT'S TIME FOR PEOPLE TO STOP WHINING

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Okay, that's it. The *Nexus* used to be my periodical of choice for the day-to-day visits to the bowl, but not anymore.

After two years of reading I have come to one conclusion, there is nothing really new happening at UCSB, it's just the same things AGAIN and AGAIN, kind of like all of Adam Sandler's latest flicks.

Personally I am offended by everyone else being offended. That's all there is now, one group is offended by another group, who in turn is offended by the reaction of that group. The cycle goes on and on until *you* and *me* are offended by something totally unrelated to the original issue.

Whether it is economics students, dogs or

Prop 69, it is getting out of hand!

It's time to stop being PC and tell it how it is. When it comes down to it all the protesting, finger pointing and megaphone squawking (Can you BELIEVE that guy!), most of us just want to graduate and could care less about your "struggle against the imperialist society."

Is this country and especially UCSB really *that* bad? If so, I'm pretty sure Tijuana Tech has space for you. Heck, get rid of tickets for riding your bike, "stunt" skating and parking more than 18 inches from the curb, and we'd have a utopia!

Regardless, you won't see me waving a John 3:16 sign anytime soon.

MIKE DODD

HOORAY FOR ISRAELI INDEPENDENCE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

On May 14, 1948, the Jewish State of Israel came into existence. The next day Israel was attacked by all five of its Arab neighbors. On its day of independence, the Jewish population of Israel was 600,000. Israel was poorly armed and without an organized national army and was matched against Syria,

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Nostalgia:

As the millennium rapidly approaches, all of the children of the '80s are old enough to feel nostalgia for the great stuff that came with the decade. While the clothes we wore are better to scare children on Halloween, the '80s produced a wide array of movies, music and, of course, quality television programming. Shows that everyone remembers are no fun to list, but there are the obscure ones that really start a conversation. A running list is going, call in if you think you have an obscure one, for a handsome reward! No, it's not neon bangle bracelets.

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ts Need to Cease Now

Crime, and the Question of Fault Has No Bearing

dark streets of our wonderful home, Isla Vista," exemplified by a quote from Matthew Burris letter to the editor "CSOs Are There to Walk Home Drunks" in the Nov. 4 issue of the *Daily Nexus*.

First of all, women and men can go to as many lengths as they like to protect themselves. They can have years of martial arts experience and still be assaulted. No one is immune, and the streets of Isla Vista

nored piece of the puzzle, which is the unreported assaults that occur with acquaintances. Why aren't they reported and highlighted in the press?

Let's also think about Matthew Burris' "solution" of calling a CSO. This isn't a bad idea! Why don't people do this after parties on DP or in a fraternity? While Matthew and others do their part to suggest added precautions and responsibilities for women, why don't the people who are so consumed with providing guidelines become more educated about this issue, talk to their friends about it and become part of the "solution"?

Last year a couple of cases proved that males who

I can yell, scream, and shout this stuff until I'm blue in the face, but no one wants to accept this brutal reality. The reason: This is scary stuff, and so it is easier to cope with the reality via denial or by saying that it happens to other people.

Why are people so concerned about this issue now and were not Fall Quarter last year? It is because during this fall and also during Spring Quarter last year, some women who were violated by strangers took the difficult step of reporting their assault to the police.

Some things to ponder: If you are supposedly willing and ready to have sex, then you certainly better be able to talk about it with the person you are going to have sex with. Don't assume that once you've had sex with someone that you have unlimited access to their body. Think about and communicate the assumptions and expectations you have. I challenge you to figure out where you got your assumptions from and why you have them!

I hope this issue and this column frightens people. I want everyone to know the reality of this issue, but I can only fight so hard and talk about it so many times. Change will only occur when men and women stop living in denial, understand this stuff and ultimately take some action!

Oh yeah, and for guys who are confused as to if he can rape a woman when he or she or both are intoxicated, I leave this last suggestion: Quit playing the "no means yes or maybe" game and respect a woman by stopping what you are doing when she says no the first time, whether she, you or both of you are sober or intoxicated. See what happens and talk about it.

If she is playing a game, she will either be upset or she will initiate the sex or activity of a sexual nature. However, if she isn't playing a game, then she'll be glad you stopped and you should be happy that you did not commit an assault.

Cathy Sawaya is a junior history of public policy major and the peer coordinator for the Rape Prevention Education Program.

Opinions are good. We know you have one. So do something good for a change and write a letter.

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tution, but is also a fundamental idea within their Islamic beliefs.

Last August, Yasser Arafat, the PLO chair, expressed his thoughts on the peace process. He stated that "Peace will not prevail and security and stability [will not] be achieved without the return of Jerusalem to its homeland and owners."

Until then, buses bringing 10-year-old children to school will face the risk of being bombed. The lives of innocent market-goers will be in the hands of suicide car-bombers. And until then, my roommate will have to call his sister, who lives there, to know if she survived the last terrorist attack.

The Jews are home. The pledge of their forefathers has been redeemed: Jerusalem is being rebuilt. May every Jew have a part in this rebuilding, for this year, and the year after, and the year after.

DANIEL A. SNYDER

WARNING: BEWARE OF ALL SENIOR CITIZENS

Editor, Daily Nexus:

The other morning, while sitting on a city

bus, an old man snatched away my sports section and leapt off and out into the street before I could catch him. He was too quick. He grabbed my paper like a monkey rips down a poster.

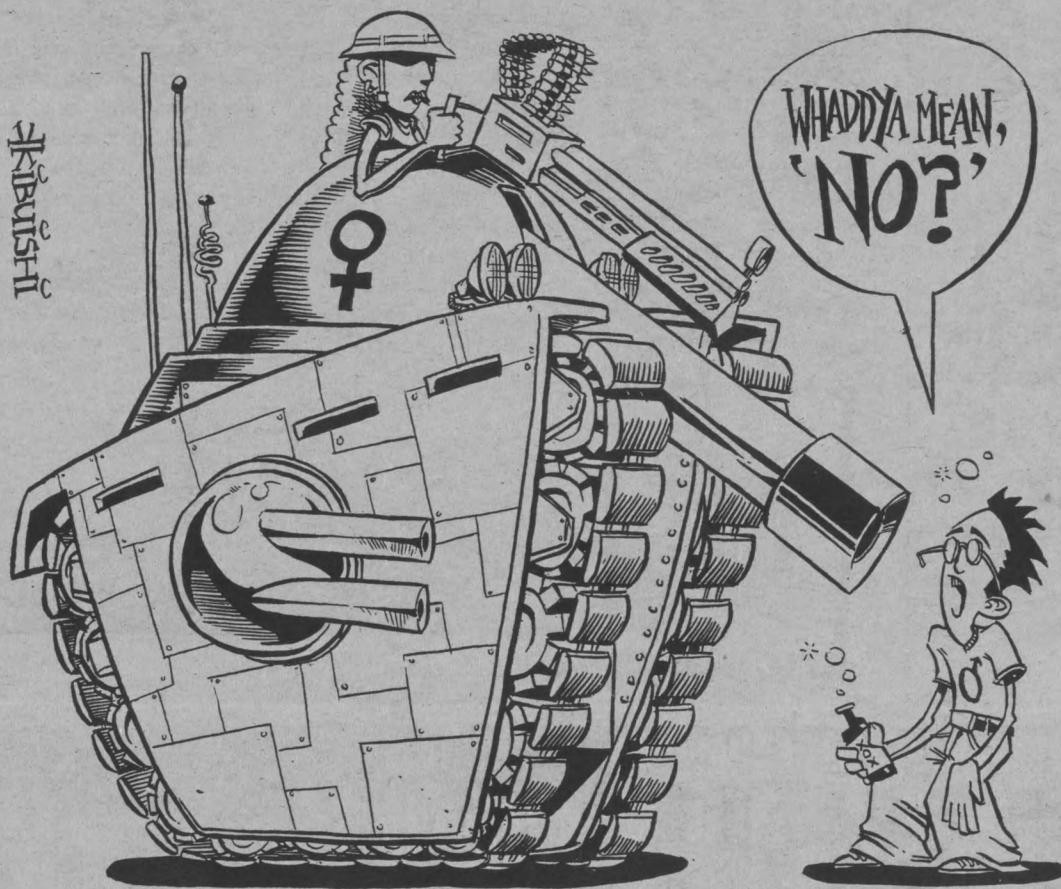
Then I thought: "That fucker is somebody's grandpa!" It's high time this community woke up. Many of the elderly, octogenarians particularly, are far more clever and agile than they may appear.

Some of them may even be living in your own home under the dirty guise of grandparent-hood. How do you know that they're your grandparents? Because somebody told you they are? I'd urge you to look closely.

Further, the ability to easily blend in at a local store like "The Big-K" makes these criminals most illusive. I am proposing a neighborhood watch to monitor these neighborhood watchers. It's time we reclaimed our streets.

Always watch your back at the I-Hop, and don't let old people push you around.

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KAZUHIRO KIBUSHI / DAILY NEXUS

aren't the only place where danger is present; it's usually someone's home.

The only reason sexual assaults are escalating in people's eyes is because the reports are rising, even though the reported sexual assaults are mostly stranger assaults. Think to yourself why these are the only cases highlighted by the press, and ask yourself about the ig-

walk women home aren't always the safest persons to trust, nor are dates or other people we think we can trust. It is that typical I.V. resident, that guy in a couple of your classes, that one who works on campus or in I.V. who you run into at a party, that guy you go on a date with, that friend of a friend or that cute guy who lives three floors above you in the dorm who violates you.

Voice

anon, Jordan, Iraq and Egypt. Israel was victorious.

gain in 1967, Syria, Jordan and Egypt attacked Israel's borders. Equipped with an elite national army, Israel retaliated and ordered the most devastating air force attack in history, knocking out nearly the entire enemy air force in what would become known as the Six-Day War.

October, 1973, Egyptian forces surprised and attacked Israel on the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur, the most holy day of the Jewish religion. After 10 days of fighting, Israeli forces regained control of the war and captured the Suez Canal.

Israel then prepared for a military advance into the Sinai. Then, the same Egyptian forces that had started war with Israel requested a cease-fire and refused.

Egypt, in need of rescue, then turned to its biggest supporter, the Soviet Union. The Soviet Union alerted the United States that if Israel pulled out of Egypt, Soviets would be sent in to fight the Israelis, possibly leading to World War III.

Israel pulled back. Israel became a state only three years after the defeat of the Nazis and the end of World War II. Once independence was declared, support from all over the world came to Israel.

Many of them were Holocaust survivors who would meet their deaths in combat shortly after their arrival. These martyrs, however, were fighting for something much greater than land, they were fighting for the freedom to be Jewish.

What is my point? For the last 2000 years the Jews have lived in exile. They have survived the inquisitions, the pogroms and the Holocaust. After experiencing humanity at its worst, they have returned to Zion and have defied the world in keeping it. Without Israel, the Jews would have never survived. Without the Jews, Israel would be Palestine.

That is my point. Recently, Israel has agreed to a 13 percent withdrawal of troops from the West Bank. This is under the condition that the PLO cooperate in protecting Israel against terrorists and that the PLO revise their constitution, which calls for the annihilation of the Jewish State.

Since the initial signing of the Oslo Accords in 1993, Israel has withdrawn from many parts of the West Bank and Gaza, while Palestinian terrorists have continued to kill dozens. Peace is something that the PLO cannot hand over.

The destruction of the Jewish nation is not only a fundamental part of their consti-

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be, you decide on an obligation that's similar to a doctor or firefighter. What you're doing is sacred enough that you don't up and decide to withhold your services for financial or political reasons ... I plan to be available to my students, possibly holding sections off campus or outside to show solidarity."

According to DeAro, some departments have stated that they will not take action against striking TAs. However, the administration has had a negative reaction to the possibility of a strike, she added.

"There's been a couple of memos sent out to campus that are misleading," DeAro said. "With these kinds of threats in the background, the feeling is if you go on strike you could get fired. It's kind of misrepresenting facts."

A memo from acting Provost Everett Zimmerman to department chairs states, "Teaching assistants ... are not primarily employees ... collective bargaining can intrude into matters of

academic judgment;" and that "it is entirely permissible for faculty ... to encourage [TAs] to refrain from striking" without the use of threats or harassment.

According to a "Know Your Rights" handout distributed by the UAW, however, "your employer cannot ask how you feel about unions, strikes, or any related topics."

UAW organizer Mike Miller said any strike-related discussion with an employer is potentially illegal.

"Even to encourage a TA to go on strike is technically a violation of the law," he said.

Zimmerman said his memo simply reiterated university policy.

"What I'm stating is what the university policy is. This is not my original composition," he said.

According to Glyn Hughes, the Sociology Dept. union-bargaining representative, Associated Students and some departments have shown support for the strike. In a memo responding to Zimmerman's memo, Hughes stated that

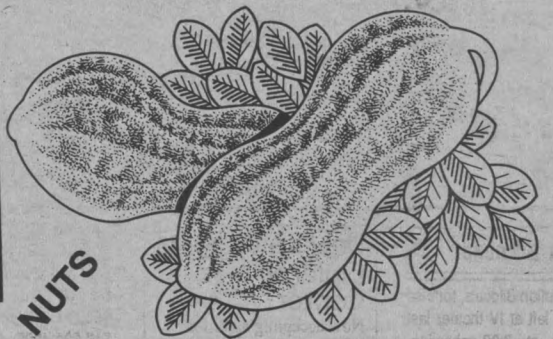
83 percent of the more than 600 union members at UCSB voted for the strike.

"Women's studies, black studies, and Chicano studies have all issued statements in favor of striking TAs," Hughes said. "A.S. on Wednesday passed a resolution unanimous except for one abstention that holds the administration responsible for any disruption to their education."

According to Baranski, unanimous graduate student support for the strike is not essential.

"You don't have to have every TA going out. You only have to have 30 to 40 percent of TAs to disrupt the system enough or to cause recognition," he said. "At other universities where graduate students have struck to get a union, it's only taken a third to get the administration to recognize them."

— Staff Writer Lisa Butterworth also contributed to this article.



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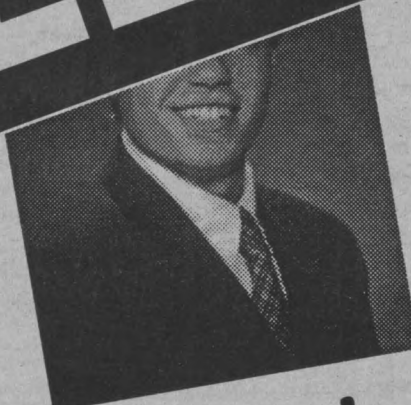
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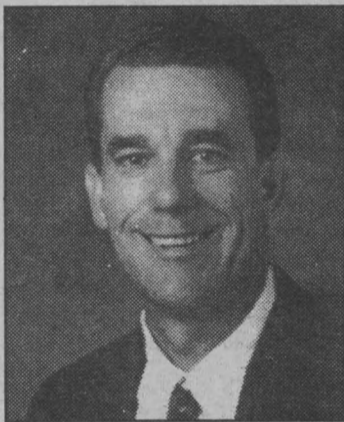
■ Layup With Eight Seconds Left Gives USF One-Point Victory

BY MATT HURST
Staff Writer

It was fast-paced. It was exciting. It was everything that UCSB fans had been missing. However, the one thing Santa Barbara men's basketball fans haven't been missing had to spoil an almost perfect night.

In UCSB Head Coach Bob Williams' debut, the one thing lacking from the home opener in the Thunderdome on Wednesday night was a victory.

Facing the University of San Francisco, UCSB had a chance to



Bob Williams

pull out its first win under Williams, but fell in the final seconds, 71-70.

Being able to pick apart USF's full-court defense, Santa Barbara took an early control of the game by breaking through whatever the Dons threw the Gauchos' way.

However, with 5:43 remaining in the first half, the momentum changed, and San Francisco took its first lead since the opening basket. Senior Gerald Zimmerman, who had only practiced twice after coming off a knee injury and a family emergency, hit a three-pointer to put the Dons up 25-24. Zimmerman finished as the game's top scorer with 24 points, adding five rebounds and a blocked shot.

"He's only practiced twice in the last month and a half," USF Head Coach Philip Mathews said of the 6'6" guard. "He just got off a plane this morning at 11 o'clock coming from Florida. For him to come through like that just shows what kind of guy he is as a senior, and that he's a leader on this team."

Sophomore Chris Lynch and senior Josh Merrill hit a pair of free throws each, and a layup by senior B.J. Bunton enabled UCSB to take a five-point lead. But, USF then went on a 12-3 run to close out the first half and take a 37-33 lead into the locker room. Merrill led UCSB in points and boards with 18 and six respectively, while Bunton chipped in 13 points.

San Francisco began the second half where it left off by taking an eight-point lead. However, the Gauchos wouldn't fold and came back strong to make the contest a tight match.

Santa Barbara used an 8-2 scoring advantage to tie the game at 52-52 with 8:52 to play. From there, it was a seesaw battle with

neither team getting more than a six-point advantage.

"I thought we showed that we were a little resilient, and when we took care of the ball up court, we actually played pretty well," Williams said.

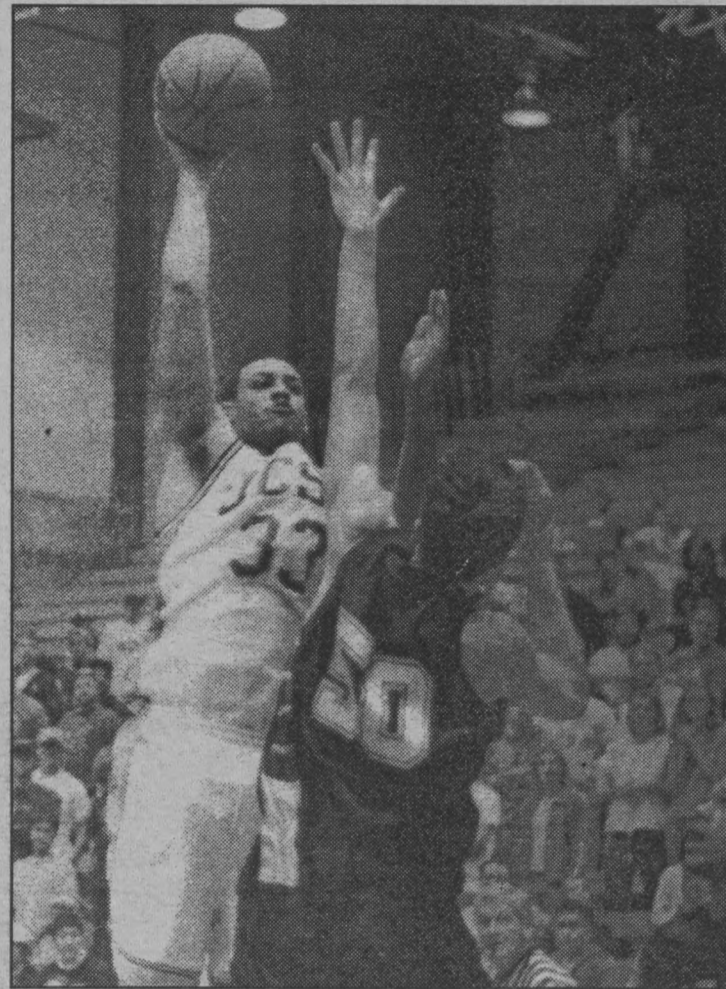
Down by six with 6:48 left, junior point guard Derrick Allen hit a trey off a feed from junior Erick Ashe. Moments later, Allen (five points, seven assists) returned the favor by dishing a dime to Ashe (10 points, four assists) for his own three-pointer, tying the game at 62 with under six minutes to play.

Down 68-66, San Francisco sophomore Ali Thomas drained a three with under a minute left after two offensive boards by his teammates kept the Dons' possession alive.

The Gauchos came right back looking to score. Payton (15 points, six rebounds) drove baseline and made a nice reverse layup to send the home crowd into a frenzy with the thought of victory on their minds.

"I'm always thinking of a way to get to the basket or making a score," Payton said. "I saw the big man coming up and he played me baseline, and I knew I could beat my man. So I went by my man and just reversed it when I went up."

USF brought the ball down court to find a break in the Gaucho defense. Sophomore James Lee found wide-open freshman Russell Hinder underneath the basket, and he dumped the ball in to give the



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HOOK ME UP: Senior B.J. Bunton and his 13 points weren't enough for the UCSB men's basketball team Wednesday night.

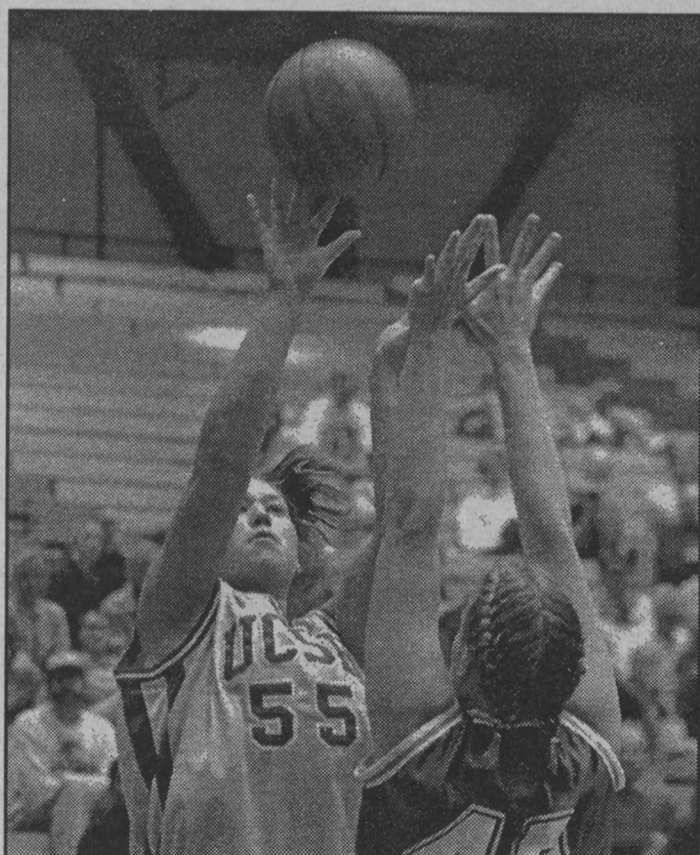
Dons a 71-70 lead with eight seconds remaining.

"I have to take that one square on my shoulders," Williams said of the play. "I didn't make a good adjustment, and I didn't give us a fair opportunity to win that with the last defensive stop."

Allen took the in-bounds pass and drove up court, forcing a layup that didn't fall, which ultimately

handed the Gauchos their second-straight defeat out of the gates.

"We talked that if they did make a bucket we wanted as deep an in-bounds as we could get it to the point and push it and look for the first easy shot or take it to the rim," Williams said. "Derrick did everything he could to get something positive to happen, he just got a little too deep."



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SHE'S A GREAT...HOUSE: Sophomore Nicole Greathouse and UCSB women's basketball looked impressive in their season opener.

Cats Can't Keep Up With Speedy Gauchos

BY STEVE WENDT
Staff Writer

The runnin' and gunnin' UCSB women's basketball team opened its season, and some eyes, last night with a 101-89 victory over Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill.

The #22 Gauchos ran the Wildcats out of their own Welsh Ryan Arena with a fast-paced attack that saw seven players score in double figures for Santa Barbara.

"We want to play up-tempo," UCSB Head Coach Mark French said. "We want to run, that's our style. We've recruited players that play that way."

Northwestern All-America Candidate Kristina Divjak led all scorers with 27 points, but the Gauchos' high-octane offense had too many weapons.

"I like knowing that our sixth player is as good as our fifth," UCSB junior Kristi Rohr, who led

the Gauchos with 20 points, said of Santa Barbara's depth. "We don't have to hold anything back on the floor."

Northwestern simply wasn't ready for the fast-breaking UCSB (1-0 overall) features.



Kristi Rohr

"It was like chasing a track team," Divjak said. "They just came out of a cannon and were scoring at will on the fast break. We need to not get caught up in the other team's tempo."

"[UCSB] didn't stop breaking," Northwestern (0-2) shooting guard Dana Leonard said. "It was unbelievable. We just couldn't get back on defense quick enough."

Sophomore Erin Buescher led Santa Barbara with eight rebounds. Four other Gauchos had five rebounds, including Rohr. Junior Tawnee Cooper had 12 points and a game-high nine assists. Sophomore Rachelle Rogers poured in 16 points, five boards, two assists and two steals.

Santa Barbara shot 55 percent from the field and 79 percent from the charity stripe.

French, whose squad will now travel to Madison, Wis., to face a tough Badger team, is thrilled that Santa Barbara is able to cut its teeth on a pair of Big Ten competitors.

"We were really looking forward to coming [to the Midwest] and opening with a great Big Ten program," French said. "We were looking for a great game and certainly got it."

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