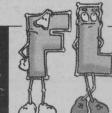


Film Screening

Haskell Wexler presents his new film "Five Days in March" tonight at 6:30 in the MultiCultural Center.



We're Still Waiting

The nation holds its breath while Florida manually recounts ballots, and Bush and Gore battle it out in the courts.
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Commies Seize 'Dome

The UCSB women's basketball team falls by 3 to the Chinese National Team.

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Community Board Picks Top Five Designs for I.V.

Winners Receive \$10,000 to Refine Plans for Final Vote

BY SHAUN P. MCGRADY Staff Writer

With the future of Isla Vista up in the air, novelties such as monorails, boardwalks and civic centers were the first to fall into the rejected pile.

Five finalists, selected from 29 international entries, were announced by the selection jury in the I.V. Revitalization Urban Design Competition on Sunday in Embarcadero Hall — the old Isla Vista Brewing Company. The finalists will each receive \$10,000 to help refine their pro-

posals before submitting their finalized plans to the jury in February. The winning entries, which have been on display in Embarcadero Hall since Nov. 2, included designs from New York, Orlando, Berkeley, Los Angeles, and Santa Barbara.

The competition, which is part of the [Re] Vision I.V. Master Plan process, sought to solicit a design that would lay the foundation for the improvement of I.V. The winning design, which will be announced in February, will receive an additional \$10,000 and the right to negotiate a contract with the county.

The finalists were chosen by a jury of 10: five community members and five California planning and design professionals, student juror Bridget Saltzman said.

"We took into consideration the issues community members brought to the town meetings that took place last spring and over the summer,"

said Saltzman, a senior sociology major. "The professional jurors were extremely helpful to myself and the other community jurors in determining how professional, advanced, and

plausible the designs were. We really tried to pick a professional design that had a good vision for the future of I.V."

After viewing the 29 design entries, senior English major Jen Elbogen said she felt the finalists were too conservative in their plans.

"I am really familiar with preliminary drawings, because my dad is an architect and I think the others are a lot more innovative, while the finalists aren't really changing much. I wonder why they are throwing away all this money if they aren't



Isla Vista resident Robert Gibson examines one of the finalists in the competition for [Re]Vision I.V. Master Plan in Embarcadero Hall. The winner of the contest will be announced in February.

going to fix it?" she said.

Although some entries included largescale improvements such as civic centers, boardwalks, and even a seaweed farm, senior math major James Collins said he agreed with the jury's decision and felt the

finalists presented a more realistic view of what can be done to improve I.V.

"A lot of the designs included things like canals, big buildings and other large

See FINALISTS, p.6

UCPD Officer Forces Salesman to Stop Illegal Credit Card Solicitation in Arbor

BY BRENDAN BUHLER Staff Writer

Free "Superman" T-shirts did not make a credit card vendor a superhero in the eyes of the UC Police Dept. on Monday morning.

A solicitor in the Arbor persuaded what he estimated to be 25 students to sign up for credit cards and website memberships in exchange for T-shirts. Such activity is illegal campus. Bookstore Administrative Assistant Debby Baker called the police, who forced the vendor to pack up his T-shirts, signs and clipboards and leave.

The vendor from Market Vision Inc., who would only identify himself as "Ben," claimed to have made arrangements to be on campus, though he was unable to specify what they were.

"I don't know," he said. "The

company arranged it all for me." The Bookstore regulates all on-

campus vendors, allowing them to

operate only on a narrow strip in front of the UCen known as "Vendor Row," and imposes stringent regulations on credit card solicitors, such as a \$500-per-day operating fee.

"This thing is illegal. The location is illegal, the activity is illegal and the timing is illegal," Baker said. "According to the provisions set up by the UCen Governance Board, credit card vendors can only be on campus during the first two weeks of the quarter. They must pay a heavy fee, they're supposed to hand out responsible credit information, they're not allowed to give away premiums and they're sure as heck not supposed to be in the Arbor."

UCPD Officer Derek Shepherd arrived in the Arbor at 11:35 a.m., and was told by Baker that the man had no permit. Ben told Shepherd that "the permit is, I think, back at the office."

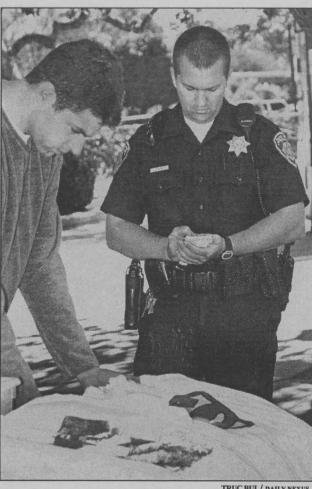
The office Ben referred to is in New York and belongs to Kenny Dunn of Market Vision. Dunn said he had no recollection of either the permit or Ben.

"Just from my general understanding, we don't really have people in southern California right now," he said. "He could be a rep working with one of our managers out in the area. We have a lot of people all over. ... I don't know. There's 20 other companies out there doing the same thing we are."

Ben arrived before 10 a.m. Monday and began enticing students with signs promising "Free T-Shirts." Students who filled out forms for credit cards and websites were given their pick of the shirts, including ones with pictures of Bob Marley, the "Superman" logo, and shirts which parodied the 7-11 and Pepsi logos, reading "420: Oh, Dank Heaven" and "Sexi."

Undeclared sophomore Fabie Boudreaux was one of those students. She picked a "Sexi" T-shirt.

See VENDOR, p.6



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'Ben,' a credit card vendor who set up a booth in the Arbor without a permit, is asked to shut down his operation and leave by UCPD officer Derek Shepherd Monday morning.

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Court Refuses to Halt Manual Recount

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is the integrity of our democracy.

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who wins the presidency. What is at stake



WASHINGTON (AP) — The fight for the White House tumbled into the courts Monday as a transfixed nation witnessed the historic entanglement of presidential politics and the judiciary. George W. Bush fought on two fronts to block recounts that threatened his 388-vote lead in Florida, while Al Gore said neither man should prevail from "a few votes cast in error."

Amid a whirlwind of political and legal maneuvers, Bush's lawyers sought a federal court order barring manual recounts in Florida — a state whose 25 electoral votes will almost certainly determine the nation's 43rd president. A federal judge rejected the request, and Bush is deciding whether to appeal.

Separately, the state's top elections official - a Republican who cam-

she would end the recounting at 5 p.m. Tuesday. "The process of counting and recounting the votes cast on Election Day must end," said Secretary of State Katherine Harris. immediately Gore appealed the ruling, making his first major legal push, and Bush joined the case on behalf of Harris.

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Gore told reporters outside

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spokesperson

paigned for Bush — said error or misinterpreted or not counted, and I don't think Governor Bush wants that either."

Bush made no public appearances at his Texas ranch Monday. He did answer reporters' questions there on Saturday.

"While time is important, it is even more important that every vote is counted and counted accu-"The vice president rately," the vice president

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"The process, to sum it up, is selective, standardless, subjective, unreliable and inherently biased," said GOP lawyer Theodore Olson.

Olson said the recountby-hand introduced elements of chance and partisan bias to what ought to be a simple and uniform process of checking Florida's extraordinarily close election result.

Democratic lawyer Bruce Rogow said the hand count was - for better or worse - democracy in action.

"Is it messy? Does it go on and on in some fashion? Yes, yes it does, but that is democracy," he told the

the last word on this," he said, "and I am rather grateful for that." He heard arguments in much the same terms the

two sides have used in public statements since the Florida dispute flared in the hours after the polls closed last week.

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Germany Accuses U.S. of Human Rights Violation



THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) - Angered by Arizona's execution of two of its citizens, Germany accused the United States on Monday of breaking international law and claimed its application of capital punishment is biased

against the poor.

In a case before the World Court that highlights the sharp division over capital punishment between Europe and the United States, Germany sued the United States over the executions of brothers Walter and Karl LaGrand.

"This form of punishment cannot be justified, neither ethically nor legally," Gerhard Westdickenberg, chief representative of the German government, told the 15 international judges of the supreme U.N. judicial body.

Germany maintains that in the United States, "poverty and inadequate counsel are ... the two 'key variables' determining whether capital punishment is sought, imposed and carried out. ...

"Indigent defendants, like the LaGrands, are likely to have ineffective lawyers and thus are disproportionately likely to receive death sentences," a document summarizing Germany's case says.

The lawsuit comes at a time of increasing protests

worldwide against U.S. executions of foreign nationals. Last Friday, protests from Sweden, France, Mexico and the European Union failed to prevent the execution in Texas of Miguel Flores, a Mexican-born man who fatally stabbed a college student 11 years ago.

The LaGrands were condemned for the murder of a 63-year-old bank manager during a botched robbery near Tucson, Ariz., on Jan. 7, 1982, and were put to death in 1999 despite vigorous German protests.

The suit does not contest the United States' right to use the death penalty, but contends the LaGrands' rights were violated when they were detained and not given the option of contacting their consular representative.

The suit, filed with the World Court on March 2, 1999, also requested a court order to stay the execution of Walter LaGrand until the Hague court could hear the case. But Arizona ignored the order — issued hours before the execution — and he died in the gas chamber.

"We do not question the crimes committed by the LaGrand brothers," Westdickenberg told the court. "We deeply deplore the great suffering they inflicted on the victims and those left behind."

But he said his government was concerned by U.S. authorities' frequent failure to notify foreign detainees of their right to contact their consulates for help, as required by the 1963 Vienna Convention on Consular Relations.

AP Wire Shorts

WASHINGTON (AP) — For the second time in as many years, Americans are being asked to spend a penny more to mail a letter.

First-class stamps will cost 34 cents and other postal service rates will increase, but 20-cent postcards will remain unchanged. The price hikes are likely to take effect in early January.

After months of hearings and deliberations, the independent Postal Rate Commission approved the new rates Monday to offset rising costs. But it rejected some of the Postal Service's proposed higher rates such as a penny more to send postcards and one cent more for a letter's second ounce.

For the first time, the commission also set a onepound Priority Mail rate of \$3.50. Until now, people sending anything up to two pounds have paid the \$3.20 two-pound rate. It also raised the two-pound rate to \$3.95.

Beyond the penny increase, each additional ounce of first-class postage, up to 11 ounces, will be shaved from 22 cents to 21 cents.

BRADENTON, Fla. (AP) — A teenage driver seriously injured in an accident is suing the city because a police officer failed to arrest him for drunken driving minutes before the crash.

Richard L. Garcia sued last week, alleging that officers who found him at a 1999 disturbance told him to drive home. He crashed his car minutes later, rupturing

"He's got a plastic aorta now. For a [teenager], that's pretty wicked," attorney Wade Thompson said. Garcia and his mother, Betty Hernandez, are seeking damages, saying his medical bills are nearing \$100,000.

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Weather

When you're the Weatherhuman, a lot of things float down the breeze to you. Some of them have a special stench. This one smells like some seriously sour salsa.

A frat party last weekend had live entertainment: two Hispanic midgets paid to walk around the party wearing special chips 'n salsa-bearing sombreros. All the best stereotypical service is knee-high, you know.

Too bad Al Jolson is dead. A bit of "Jazz Singer" blackface would have really completed the evening's oh-so-sensitive cultural ensemble.

Still, it is good to know at least one greek house makes good on its pledge to give something back.

Tuesday's forecast: Frat boys hired as Neanderthals for museum exhibits.

Urban Jungle Gym

At approximately 10:35 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 10, Isla Vista Foot Patrol officers patrolling the corner of Camino Corto and Fortuna Road observed an 18-year-old female staggering southbound on Camino Corto.

According to IVFP reports, the suspect walked directly into a parked car and attempted to crawl over the vehicle instead of walking around it. While attempting to crawl over the car, the suspect fell onto the street and began laughing.

The officers contacted the suspect and observed she was unable to maintain her balance, had a strong odor of "hard" alcoholic beverage on her person and slurred her speech. Due to the dangerous behavior the suspect exhibited, the officers were concerned she may hurt herself.

The suspect was arrested for public intoxication and transported to Santa Barbara County Jail, where she was housed pending sobriety.

They're Never Too Drunk

At approximately 2:30 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11, IVFP officers patrolling the 6600 block of Del Playa Drive observed a 20-year-old male walking eastbound toward officers.

According to reports, the suspect was staggering approximately two feet from side-to-side along

the yellow line in the middle of the street. While walking and lighting a cigarette, the suspect lost his balance and almost fell to the ground.

When stopped by the officers and asked how much he had to drink, the suspect said, "Yes, I have had a lot to drink tonight, but I'm not drunk." When officers told the suspect he was being arrested for public intoxication, he said, "Fuck, it's all good with me."

The suspect was arrested for public intoxication and transported to Santa Barbara County Jail, where he was housed pending sobriety.

At approximately 1:00 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 12, IVFP officers patrolling the 6600 block of D.P. observed a 22-year-old male, who appeared agitated, leaving a party located at an upstairs residence.

According to reports, the suspect picked up a large pumpkin off the balcony of the residence and forcefully threw it straight down. The suspect then picked up a keg and threw it into the same area as the pumpkin, without looking.

During the initial contact with the suspect, the officers could smell alcohol on his breath. However, the suspect told the officers he did not have anything to drink that night. A friend of the suspect told officers the suspect had been drinking that

The suspect told officers he was angry because his grandmother just died. The suspect's friend told officers the suspect had just been arguing with his girlfriend.

The suspect was arrested for public intoxication and transported to Santa Barbara County Jail, where he was housed pending

Drive-by Yak

At approximately 1:55 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 12, IVFP officers patrolling the 6600 block of Del Playa observed a 19-year-old female staggering westbound.

According to IVFP reports, when the officers contacted the suspect, she could not maintain her own balance. The officers were concerned for the suspect's safety due to the fact that she was alone and unable to care for herself at her high level of intoxication.

When the suspect was placed into the patrol car, she asked if her car door could be opened so she could vomit in the street. Reports state the officers opened the door and the suspect proceeded to vomit large quantities onto the street.

The suspect was arrested for public intoxication and transported to Santa Barbara County Jail, where she was housed pending

—Compiled from the Isla Vista Foot Patrol Reports by Jennifer B. Siverts

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Happy Birthday: You will be patient and understanding this year, which will help you excel. Your desire to help others will be praised, and the perks you receive because of your giving nature will be well worth your while. You will do well in a leadership position. Your numbers: 11, 23, 28, 34, 39, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your busy schedule will be conducive to romantic encounters. Develop your creative hobbies. Get busy making some of your Christmas gifts. Don't let your temper flare up if someone criticizes your work. 4 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Check your personal papers. You may have to finalize documents before the end of the year. Be prepared to work hard for extra cash.

You will be in a position to promote your ideas. 3 stars GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't jump to conclusions because of hearsay. Try to spend some time with friends and relatives. You will receive good advice regarding your personal relationship. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Investments appear to be quite positive. You should be checking into travel opportunities. Don't nag, or you'll end up spending time all alone. Do things for the family. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You should be an active 11 member at group meetings. Others will follow your lead. Don't shy away from taking a stance because of a little opposition, 4 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't argue that black is white. You can expect disagreements. New relationships will develop if you attend fund-raising events. 2 stars

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your intellectual approach will dazzle those you come into contact with. You may want to look into travel that will be beneficial from a business standpoint. Connections can be made. 5 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't let someone at work undermine you. You will have to rely on yourself if you want things to get done. Don't just think about doing things; take action. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your mate may be emotional if you refuse to talk about existing problems. You can turn things around by being passionate and reassuring about your devotion. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Take a little extra time to come up with a look that is more professional. Go after that new position you've been interested in. 3 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Socialize with good friends. You will be able to use your talents to entertain others. Passionate encounters look promising. Start physical activities that will keep you in shape. 5 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't let family members bait you. Arguments will be distressing. The new person you may meet will not be a good influence. Keep your eyes open for overindulgent qualities. 2 stars

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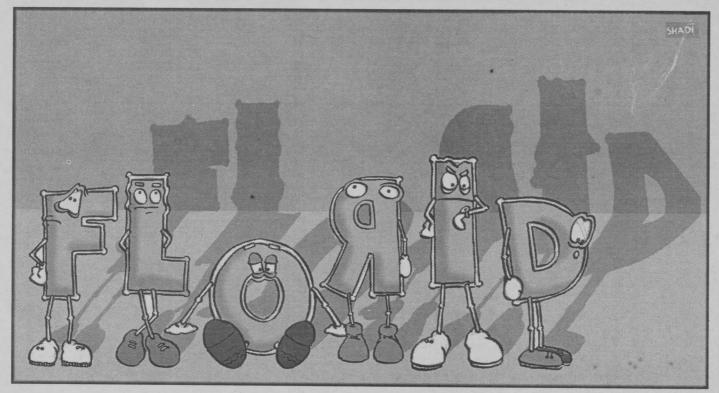
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Bouncing Ballots

Florida Needs Time and Patience to Ensure Accuracy In Its Electoral Process

he election debacle continues to roll on in Florida. The heated presidential race has drawn further attention with the specter of involving the justice system. Discontented with the electoral fiasco, both Republicans and Democrats turned to the courts, but for very different reasons. Lawsuits filed by both the George W. Bush and Al Gore campaigns have demonstrated that Florida will sort out the mess itself. The Bush camp, however, should be reminded that extended litigation should only be allowed in the name of accuracy, and not expediency.

On Monday, United States District Court Judge Donald Middlebrook wisely ruled against, Bush's lawsuit seeking an injunc- Many students have had to see their professor the Florida court system. In a hand.

parallel statement, U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno said that the federal government would monitor the situation, but the electoral process belongs to the state.

A manual recount is simply the fairest manner to handle this incredibly precarious situation. Critics have argued that any tally obtained through such a recount would be flawed due to the possible bias and subjectivity of the polling clerks. These people forget that ballots were counted by hand well into the 20th century and that machines can be fallible as well.

Many students have had to see their professor about a scanti test that did not pick up one of the penciled-in answers. If ballot machines do not pick up a few punch marks, there is no reason not to go back and count them by hand. Ballots that are punched twice should be thrown out, and if the vote is cast only for Buchanan, it should stand. The infamous "butterfly ballot" was not so confus-

ing as to warrant a new election. A complete revote is out of the question because it would leave the outcome entirely in the hands of Floridians.

Unfortunately, Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris plans to enforce a Tuesday afternoon deadline for the manual counts. The Gore campaign and Volusia County (one of the four undertaking a manual recount) have filed suit to extend this deadline. Unlike Bush's lawsuit, this is an acceptable piece of litigation. The Bush campaign sought to intrude upon state's rights in the name of expediency over accuracy. This is not the case here.

There is simply no need to rush tion against a manual recount in about a scantron test that did not pick up one the hand counts and, in fact, doing counties. of the penciled-in answers. If ballot machines so would undermine their accuracy. Middlebrook said any such do not pick up a few punch marks, there is no County election employees are curaction would have to come out of reason not to go back and count them by rently clocking two seven-hour shifts per day in an effort to meet Harris' deadline. Florida's absentee

ballots will be counted up until Nov. 17, and the election will not be officially decided until Dec. 18, when state electors meet to cast their votes. There is plenty of time to see that the process is carried out both swiftly and accurately.

Florida simply needs time and shelter from media punditry to establish certified election results. The Constitution leaves the electoral process almost wholly up to the individual states. Florida has legally decided to use a manual recount; Republicans, Democrats and citizens alike must accept the results of that count as legitimate. Absentee ballots still need to be counted, and at this stage it is not possible to say who will be inaugurated in January. Florida is stuck between a rock and a hard place, but a bit of patience would do wonders to assuage the arduous process.

Sign Watch Update:

Congratulations to all candidates.

Apart from a few straglers, all campaign signs have been removed.

Good Job!

Students Must

HARRY S. ROUSE

After attending last week's town hall meeting at the Goleta community center, I am more convinced than ever that the overriding issue in this entire process has now become the question of boundaries for the proposed city.

Since 1972, I have been a resident of the Goleta Valley, and I can't tell you how pleased I am to be free of the threat of annexation by the city of Santa Barbara. We have our own culture in Goleta, steeped in local history, flavored by established agriculture in a large part of the valley greatly populated by nuclear families living in singlefamily houses, and distinguished by a strong sense of civic pride. We have excellent schools, many churches and youth activities, a strong small-business community and very little crime and vandalism. In short, we don't think of ourselves as being part of Santa

For many years, active citizens in our community tried to form a city, but failed at the ballot box for various reasons.

Now, we have a grass-roots incorporation proposal before the commission that truly reflects the will of most residents in the western Goleta area (excepting Isla Vista) and would almost certainly win in the next general election. It is my view that if UCSB and Isla Vista are again included in a ballot measure, Goleta voters will not support it to and incorporation will surely fail. Were that lito happen, it would be our loss, and Isla cy Vistans would be jubilant. On the other ar hand, it is possible that voters in eastern iz

The Reader's Voice

CRITICAL MASS EMBOR POLITICAL, SOCIAL VALU

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am writing this letter in response to E Ready's letter (Reader's Voice, "Misguided A Taint Real Environmentalists," Nov. 7) denoun-Critical Mass organization.

To call Critical Mass an organization is a misnomer. There are no leadership or members teria. There is no stringent ideology one must ac for acceptance. Critical Mass is a coincidental ga of concerned individuals who happen to share c interests and values. Critical Mass means of things to different people. I cannot speak for the sands of people who participate monthly in this or, but I will attempt to articulate what it mean

Critical Mass is about questioning the norms that we are continually exposed to. It wondering why we judge our fellow human according to year, make and model. It's about po the necessity of an extra large 4x4 SUV as a convehicle. It's about raising issues concerning the most-dangerous activity we take part in on a dai

Critical Mass is also about pondering the st inequities that guide what passes for transportati icy in the United States. It's about urban planne disregard human-powered forms of transpo when they design our cities and streets. It's about why bicyclists must tolerate inadequate bike land forced onto sidewalks because they fear for their

And yes, Critical Mass is about raising issues logical concern. It's about considering the effect driving habits on our polluted waterways,

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st Not Block Goleta Cityhood

Goleta would now accept incorporation, since annexation by Santa Barbara is no longer an option.

I suggest that the commission conduct a survey to determine voter sentiment and willingness to become part of a City of Goleta. There is little sense in extending the incorporation boundaries into an area whose voters may be overwhelmingly opposed to the measure for the flimsiest of reasons.

The largely transient student population in UCSB/Isla Vista has little or no interest in the future welfare of the Goleta Valley. They are motivated primarily by their own selfish, short-term interests, and their thought processes and political views are unduly influenced by certain elements among the UCSB faculty. Again, they are our neighbors, but culturally, socially, economically and politically, they are of a different stripe!

For example, Goleta is an established residential community, largely populated by

The largely transient student population in UCSB/Isla Vista has little or no interest in the future welfare of the Goleta Valley.

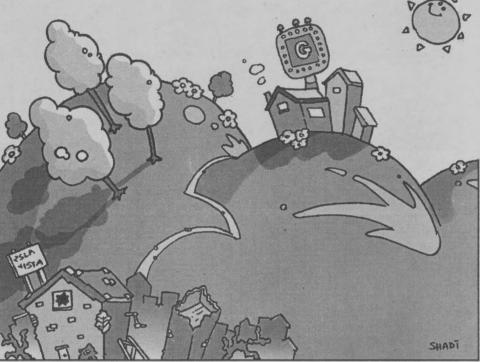
working class, home-owning taxpayers, who take their civic and financial responsibilities seriously. We are stable, industrious and tend to live in one place for many years. We have little crime, vandalism or juvenile delinquency. We have many small businesses, owned and operated by local residents and patronized by our friends and neighbors. In short,

we have a cohesive community.

By contrast, Isla Vista is also a residential community, but it is populated by non-working students and low-income workers, nearly all of whom live in rented apartments. Some pay taxes and assume their civic and financial responsibilities, but most don't. They tend to move frequently from place to place. Their area is noted for overcrowding, loud parties, drug dealing, alcohol abuse, demonstrations and protests, arson, rape, burglary and petty theft, and many of their landlords are victimized by wanton destruction and vandalism, year after year. Sheriff's deputies and highway patrol officers are called out in force to maintain order at Halloween and on other festive occasions. Public drunkenness and public urination are common sights. Law enforcement statistics clearly show the highest crime rates where housing densities are highest.

It is this strong contrast between the two communities that makes Goletans unwilling to have anything to do with UCSB and Isla Vista. This goes far beyond any question of diversity or inclusion. It's about personal and civic responsibility, emotional maturity and a strong desire to be good citizens. It's about home and family, friends and neighbors, hard work, a good school system, setting long-term goals and achieving personal ful-fillment.

And lastly, it's about having municipal self-determination as an incorporated city, with citizens able at long last to elect local people as our leaders, to make our own landuse policies and conduct important planning and governance. These are the things we want for our community, ourselves, our chil-



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dren and our grandchildren.

The way things are headed now, we have little voice in what happens to the Goleta Valley. Development of vacant land is proceeding at a frantic pace. Large commercial and industrial projects have been approved with little thought given to the consequences to such areas as housing, schooling, traffic congestion, air pollution, waste management and law enforcement. We pay local taxes out of proportion to the services we receive. Our roads, streets and sidewalks are deteriorating rapidly. Enforcement of traffic laws falls on the Highway Patrol, which is seriously understaffed on the South Coast.

Some say a small city cannot succeed here. Well, Carpinteria seems to have survived, as have Solvang and Buellton. It isn't

the size of a city that determines how well it functions, but the quality and responsiveness of its leadership. I think it is safe to say that local governments can become too powerful, too arrogant, too inefficient, too bloated, and too dangerous to individual liberty. I'll take a small town over a big city any day of the week! You can change things in the small town; it's not so easy in the big city.

Please, help us keep this area from becoming another San Fernando Valley — controlled from afar by people who have conflicting priorities, unwelcome agendas and divided loyalties.

Harry S. Rouse is a long-time Goleta Valley resident.



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atmosphere and crowded streets. It's about imagining the future when oil reserves dwindle and nations posture to control the last remaining supplies. It's about advocating an alternative form of travel that is healthy, environmentally sustainable and just plain fun.

I will be the first one to admit that bicycle travel is not the answer to all our transportation woes. But if we

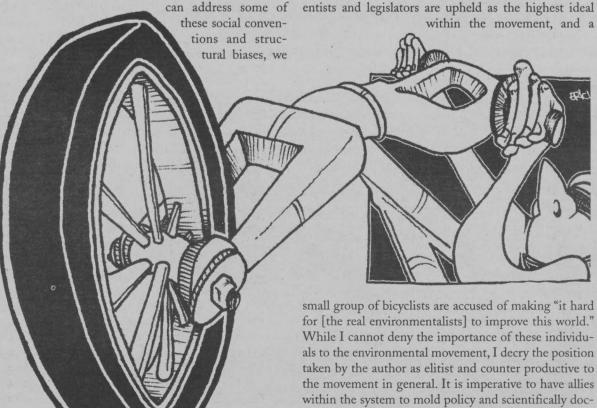
may encourage more people to take up their bike once in a while and leave the SUV in the driveway. This could lead to a society that is less stressed and healthier, an environment that is cleaner, and petroleum supplies that last a bit longer.

Ready offers her opinion that "real environmentalists" have a "scholarly background." These lawyers, scientists and legislators are upheld as the highest ideal

ument abuses. It is equally important to include people

from outside the system who publicize these abuses and

question values and norms. These people are indispens-



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able to the overall environmental movement, and they are called activists.

Activists believe that action in the face of injustice — even actions deemed unreasonable by some — is preferable to doing nothing. Activists live in the branches of trees in order to stop the cutting of old-growth redwoods. They suffer abuses from law enforcement personnel as the cost of their dissenting opinions. They quietly live their philosophy each and every day, hoping that their sustainable lifestyle catches on. It is imperative that all concerned environmentalists work together if we are to create a culture that is less destructive to our biosphere.

I am very pleased that the recent appearance of Critical Mass on campus has already led to a lively debate. This is an important benefit that follows controversial movements; it forces people to address issues that may have never been considered. Ideally, the level of scholarly debate should be kept on an intellectual level. Techniques such as demeaning the opposition and insulting them with crude names should have been abandoned.

I would personally like to invite Elizabeth Ready, her compatriots in the environmental studies department, and every UCSB student to come and ride with Critical Mass. In addition to all the constructive reasons I have mentioned, it boils down to being a really good time. If you have never ridden in the midst of a few hundred bicyclists, you are truly in for an electric experience.

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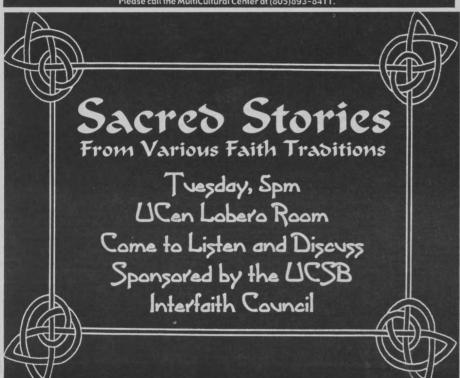
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Free merchandise masks the gravity of credit debt, said Jim Dalton, external vice

president for the Graduate Student Association, who has worked against oncampus credit vendors for several years.

"If you get stupid and fill out a form for a free T-shirt, you're probably not a good person to have a credit card," he said. "There's nothing free about a 'free T-

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products, but this is a college town and it needs to be designed so it is not thrashable," Collins said. "I think the finalist seem more practical and less costly."

The winning entry announced in February will not necessarily etch the future of I.V. in stone, county planner Lisa Porras

"It is still negotiable, they will get the first opportunity to sign a contract with the county, but the county is not obligated to accept the plan," she said. "This allows the county more options, so

our hands are not tied to the winning design."

In the next phase of the competition, the county will gather community comments concerning the five finalist's entries, so they can revise their plans to better meet the needs of the I.V. populace, Porras

"We will have a community workshop on Dec. 4, where the community will have the opportunity to submit comments to the five finalists," Porras said. "The community will have a chance to meet each team and point out what they feel still needs to be addressed in their designs."

The five finalists are plan.org.

Ken Radtkey of Blackbird Architects in Santa Barbara, Kenji Suzuki of Di Domenico & Partners in New York, Daniel Parolek of Envision Design in Berkeley, Ed McKinney of Glatting Jackson in Orlando, Fla., and P. Vaughn Davies of Urbanus Arch in Los Angeles.

The 29 entries, including the five finalists, will be on display through Nov. 15 in Embarcadero Hall, located at 935 Embarcadero Del Norte, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Further information on the competition and Master Plan process is available at www.islavista-



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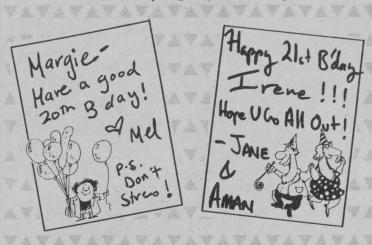


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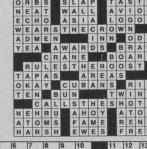
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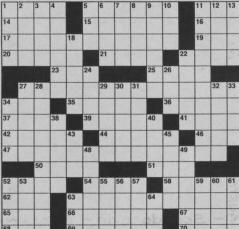
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UCSB Blitzed by Chinese in Last Pre-Season Game

BY ELIAV APPELBAUM Staff Writer

The Chinese National Team stormed into the Thunderdome and struck down the UCSB women's basketball team 66-63 Monday night in the Gauchos' last exhibition home game.

The Gauchos continually fought back against the experienced Chinese Olympic team, erasing a 10-point deficit late in the second half and battling against a rigid zone defense, which troubled the team throughout the game.

"Their zone did a nice job taking away our inside game," Head Coach Mark French said. matched up well with us with their good size and long arms."

Junior power forward Kayte Christensen led Santa Barbara with 18 points on 8-13 shooting, including a quick seven points in the first four minutes of the second half. Senior forward Nicole Greathouse collected a double-double, chipping in 14 points and snagging 10 rebounds. Greathouse buried three pivotal threepointers, including a huge shot to cap a 12-2 run that tied the game 42-42 with 14 minutes left in the second half.

"Being a five player [center] last year, there's stuff [Greathouse] knows about the position," Christensen said. "I like playing with her. She passes better than most post

than most in the country. We read each other well."

The Gauchos staved relatively even with China for most of the first half, but began falling behind in the latter stages. China blazed into the locker room after pulling off a 9-2 run ignited by forward Li Xin, and continued chipping away at UCSB as center Ye Li raised the difference to seven. Forward Miao Lijie catapulted a three-pointer with 1:23 left in the half, and Xin finished the half with an uncontested lay-up for a 10-point lead, putting momentum in China's

"They shot so well," Greathouse said. shocked me when they missed. They had so many different weapons."

UCSB came out roaring in the second half. Christensen outscored the Chinese Team by herself. 7-2, in the first five minutes, and junior forward Rachelle Rogers' bucket at the 14:41 mark cut China's lead to three. Greathouse tied the game 42-42 with a clutch three with 14:08 to go in the game. Santa Barbara never got closer than three the rest of the way, yet the team's feistiness and eagerness to win Hansen kept the Gauchos alive until the final buzzer.

"A good basketball team will continue to scrap," French said. "I'm pleased that we showed a lot of heart and character. I think this team's going to get better and better and better. The only worry I pulled the trigger on a long

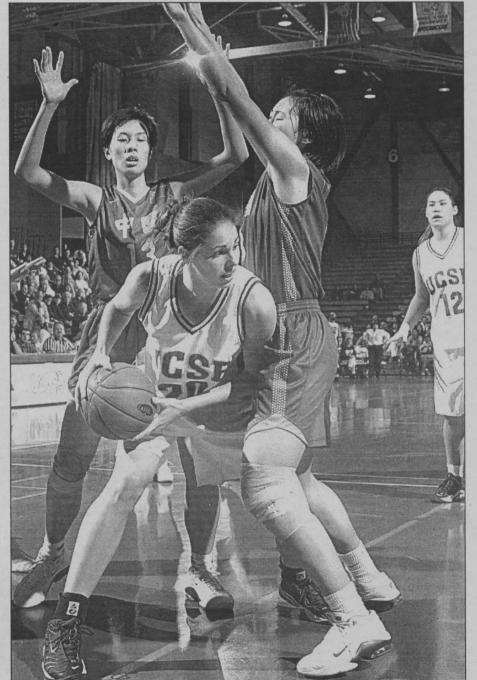
players, probably better have is the team might lose confidence. [But] this team's going to be fine."

Santa Barbara made their final run at a victory with 1:55 left in the contest. Sophomore guard Jess Hansen kept the Gauchos in contention by canning a running jumper with the shot clock winding down. Christensen followed 44 seconds later with a jump shot of her own. Hansen made two shots at the charity stripe with 1:47 left to cut the lead to 66-61. Greathouse trickled in a lay-up that bounced around the rim before falling through to bring UCSB within three, setting up the dramatic end-

The Gauchos came close to leveling the score with 40 seconds to go. Rogers, who had nine points, five assists, and four steals, received a cross-court pass and found herself open in front of Santa Barbara's bench for a three-point shot that skipped across the rim.

She had a wide-open three," Christensen said. "I think it was someone who slipped up and we need her to have confidence in her

With 9.8 seconds to go in the heated battle, looked Greathouse, who tried to roll off a pick that China defended well. Hansen dribbled left searching for an open teammate, and the Chinese quickly switched on defense. Running out of options, Hansen dribbled on a crossover and



Junior forward Kayte Christensen is sandwiched between China's Chen Luyun and Miao Lijie (L-R) while senior forward and team captain Nicole Greathouse looks for an outlet.

three that fell just short of the net as the buzzer sounded.

well," Greathouse said. Press Preseason Poll,

"They took us out of what we wanted to do."

The Gauchos, ranked "They played it real 25th in the Associated launch their regular season in Lincoln, Nebraska against Louisville for the Time Warner Cable

len's Water Polo Team Goes **Belly-Up Against USC Trojans**

BY BRITTANY LANGAN Staff Writer

Some days are better than others, and for the #10 UCSB men's water polo team (6-15 overall, 1-7 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation), Sunday was dooms-

However, for #2 USC (18-4, 6-2) there was no better time to add another victory

ond-to-last home game of the season, the Trojans took the lead and never gave it up, drowning the Gauchos 9-2.

"To beat a team as high a caliber as USC, we knew that we were going to have to play one of our best games and we weren't playing close to that level," freshman driver Doug Arthur said. "Fundamentally speaking, we weren't

Senior driver Stever O'Rourke set the game's pace, scoring the first goal for the Trojans. Junior utility Ivan Babic's goal and junior utility Daniel Lontay's two goals followed O'Rourke's, giving USC a strong 4-0 lead.

"We weren't prepared for the game and we came out flat," sophomore driver Anthony Borasi said. "They took advantage of that and capitalized on our mistakes.'

With 1:45 left in the first half, senior driver Paul Rave broke the Trojan's streak, firing a shot past senior goalie Darin Smith for the Gauchos' only first-half goal. In the third quarter, USC's Tim Wollthan threw the ball past junior goalie Trevor Spence to give the Trojans a fourpoint lead. Senior George Csaszar scored USC's next two goals, 7-1. However, junior defender Eliot Biggert-Godwin stepped it up and the Gauchos ended the third quarter down by six.

The Gauchos were scoreless in the fourth quarter and UCSB ended its day with a disappointing loss.

"We didn't have any intensity and we didn't play smart," sophomore driver Kyle

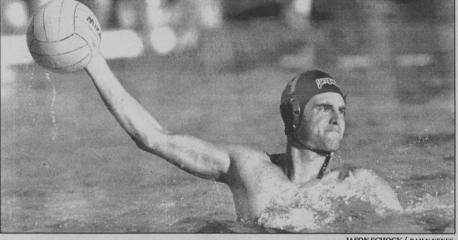
to their five-game winning streak. doing the basics right. We didn't get off a Ashley said. "They beat us on the counter Determined to rule the pool in their sec- lot of shots and our offense wasn't click- attack. They're smart and much more aware of what's going on.

> Ashley said the match was one of the Gauchos' worst of the season. "We've been playing well these last 3-4 weeks and this was a set back, but the season isn't over."

> Saturday at 1:00 p.m., the Gauchos will host #3 UC Irvine, who is coming off a win against #1 UCLA. UCSB will salute seniors Rave and driver Elijah McDanniel before the match, which is the team's last of the season.

> "We realize that we have to build our intensity and build our game awareness," Arthur said. "We've kept up with a lot of teams until the last quarter and then we seem to fall apart. Irvine is a strong, fast team and they're peaking. We lost to them earlier this season, 13-7, but we match up pretty well against them and if we come out there and play our game there's no reason why we can't beat them."

> The Gauchos will conclude their season at the MPSF Tournament on Nov. 24 to Nov. 26. The team will vie for an eighth-place seed in the tournament. Last season, the Gauchos entered the tournament with an eighth-place seed and came away with a sixth-place finish.



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The #2-ranked USC Trojans sunk junior two-meter man Eric Vlasic and the #10 UCSB men's water polo team 9-2 in their second-to-last home game Sunday at Campus Pool.