

Leg Council Cannot Meet; Negligent Planning Blamed

By TED ANDERSEN Staff Writer

With an agenda crisis prompting the cancellation of tonight's scheduled meeting, Associated Students Legislative Council has been accused by its own members of violating its mission statement of visibility and accessibility to the students.

A.S. Internal Vice President Danny Costa canceled the meeting due to a potential violation of the Brown Act, a judicial law regulating public meetings. To comply with the Brown Act, Leg Council Meeting Procedure Policy states that the internal VP must post the agenda for a public meeting 72 hours before the meeting for it to be valid.

"I fucked up," Costa said. "Monday was a holiday and I came into the office and the server was down so I couldn't print the agenda. The only thing I'm going to do is not have a meeting tomorrow, because I don't want to do anything illegal."

According to Off-Campus Rep Mel Fabi, the meeting was to be held in the Santa Rosa Hall formal lounge in order to bring in more student participation. Fabi expressed his extreme displeasure at Costa's handling of the agenda.

"I was really pissed off [Costa] didn't do his job," he said. "And to make matters worse, he didn't get the agenda out."

Article III, Section 5, Part B of the A.S. Legal Code states, "The Legislative Council shall regularly meet at least once a week during periods of regular instruction." Costa admitted that on Jan. 6, the first Wednesday of Winter Quarter, he called off a Leg Council meeting despite the more than likely possibility of fulfilling quorum — the required majority of representatives needed to conduct a meeting.

"It was definitely possible to have a meeting then. We would've had quorum," he said. "I just decided not to because it was the first day of school and people were just getting back."

Off-Campus Rep Mariah Hoskins said that Leg Council has set a bad precedent this year with a number of meeting cancellations.

"It just seems we should be having more Leg Council meetings than we are," she said.

A.S. Finance Board granted a total of \$3,917 last night to Environmental Affairs Board, the A.S. Isla Vista Community Relations Committee and the student group behind the film "Focus." According to Finance Board Chair Christina Costley, because of the cancellation, this money



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Solemn faces and silence characterize these students participating in a march in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Seen here are representatives of Alpha Phi Alpha, an African-American-interest fraternity.

Marchers Make a Silent Statement

BY KERRI WEBB Staff Writer

The life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was memorialized Tuesday by a small group of students, administrators and faculty marching through campus in a silent procession.

Members of UCSB's Alpha Phi Alpha, a historically African-American fraternity, organized the event, which began in front of Cheadle Hall at noon with a brief announcement of the goals of the afternoon's activity. According to junior communication major and chapter President James Gailliard, the goal of the march was to remember what King stood for, and to educate the campus on the importance of progressing the ideals of the civil rights movement.

"What we're trying to do today is commemorate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who happens to be one of our fraternity brothers," he said. "We have decided to do a silent march from Cheadle Hall to Corwin Pavilion plaza. It's our way of showing his legacy, remembering his dream and his life."

Gailliard said the event's organizers opted for a silent march because they wanted to pattern their demonstration after those led by King in the 1950s and '60s.

"We think that it would be more dramatic and our way of depicting what took place during the civil rights movement," he said. "They had protests and silent marches like this during the

Heater-Caused Fire Provokes Safety Inquiry

BY CHERYL CHENG Reporter

A home set ablaze over Winter Break has drawn concern regarding the safety of heating systems in Isla Vista residences.

Sheila Burnham, a 42-year-old resident of 6716 Abrego Rd., woke the morning of Dec. 21 to discover that the piano in her living room had caught fire after being placed near a wall heater, according to Santa Barbara County Fire Dept. Public Information Officer Charlie Johnson. After securing the safety of her dogs and cats, Burnham called the Santa Barbara County Fire Dept. from her bedroom. As she attempted to evacu-See FIRE, p.5

State of the Union Tackles Social Security, Tax Credits

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, standing before a divided Congress weighing his fate, offered a bold plan Tuesday to protect Social Security with the huge budget surpluses that Republicans are eyeing for tax cuts. "First things first," Clinton insisted.

On a day of high drama that shifted from his trial in the Senate to his State of the Union address, Clinton recalled the admonition of new House Speaker Dennis Hastert for Republicans and Democrats to work in a spirit of bipartisanship and civility. "Mr. Speaker, let's do exactly that," Clinton said.

The president was welcomed with respectful applause in the ornate House chamber where exactly one month ago he was impeached on a party-line vote. Democrats were more enthusiastic.

Clinton urged spending billions of dollars for new programs in child care, education, crimefighting, the environment and the Pentagon. And he called for raising the minimum wage by \$1 an hour over two years to \$6.15.

Even as his speech was under way, aides said Clinton also would announce that the Justice

Dept. will sue the tobacco industry to recover billions of dollars in health care costs spent on smokers. Clinton also is seeking a 55-cent-apack tax on cigarettes to finance much of his proposed new spending.

"With our budget surplus growing, our economy expanding, our confidence rising, now is the time for this generation to meet our historic responsibility to the 21st century," Clinton said. In response to Clinton's speech, Republicans

In response to Clinton's speech, Republicans said the nation's business would not be hurt regardless of the outcome of Clinton's impeachment trial.

"Our country is not in crisis. There are no tanks in the streets," Rep. Jennifer Dunn (R-Wash.), said in prepared remarks.

Two special guests were invited to sit in the House chamber with first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton as the president spoke: civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks and baseball slugger Sammy Sosa. The president also recognized the widows of two Capitol Police officers slain last summer by a gunman who forced his way into the building.

Clinton's speech came eight hours after

White House lawyers began defending the president in a Senate trial, arguing he was innocent of perjury and obstruction of justice charges and "must not be removed from office." The president was to speak from the same House chamber where lawmakers voted exactly one month ago along party lines to impeach him — only the second time in history that has happened.

Clinton's advance text made no mention of his impeachment or the Senate trial that ended for the day just hours before. His closest reference was a mention of the "clash of controversy." On education, the president said he would send Congress a plan that for the first time holds states and school districts accountable for their progress and rewards them for results, he said. Schools that fail to comply could lose some of the \$15 billion the federal government spends on education.

"I believe we must change the way we invest that money, to support what works and to stop supporting what doesn't," the president said.

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No child should graduate from high school "with a diploma he or she can't read," Clinton said.

In his remarks on foreign policy, Clinton said the United States will continue to contain Iraq's Saddam Hussein. "And we will work for the day when Iraq has a government worthy of its people," Clinton said.

In the aftermath of the killing of more than 40 ethnic Albanians in Kosovo, Clinton said the United States and NATO allies "are pressing the Serbian government to stop its brutal repression in Kosovo, to bring those responsible to justice."

On Social Security, Clinton's proposal sets up a monumental fight over how to protect the giant retirement program and deal with GOP tax-cutting ambitions against a background of \$4 trillion in projected surp-

luses over 15 years.

The president's proposal would create new 401(k)-style retirement accounts for workers and invest some of Social Security's cash reserves in the stock market for the first time.

In sharp contrast, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott called for a 10 percent across-the-board tax cut. Republicans also attacked the idea of having the gov-ernment invest Social Security cash on Wall Street.

"No, no, a thousand times no," said Rep. Bill Archer (R-Texas), House Ways and Means chairman. "If you thought a government ta-keover of health care was bad, just wait until the government becomes an owner of America's private sector companies." Moving from last year's call to "save Social Security first," Clinton proposed transferring about 60 percent of expected budget surpluses over the

next 15 years - \$2.7 trillion counts, with the Treasury - to the Social Security account to keep the program solvent until 2055.

that money would be invested by the government in the stock market in hopes of achieving higher returns.

"I reach out my hand to those of you of both parties in both houses and ask you to join me in saying we will save Social Security now," Clinton said. "Last year, we wisely reserved all of the surplus until we knew what include: it would take to save Social Security. Again, I say, we until after Social Security is truly saved.

"First things first." Clinton's plan also would reserve 15 percent of the surplus -\$650 billion over 15 years for the ailing Medicare system. An additional 11 percent of the surplus - \$500 billion - would be devoted to new governmentsubsidized retirement ac-

matching the savings of lower-income people. The rest of the surplus would go Twenty-five percent of for military spending and

domestic programs. Clinton's House accusers and Senate judges were the immediate audience, although his real target was the millions of Americans watching at home. His job was to convince them he is faithful to their interests and should remain in power.

Clinton's major proposals

-\$1 billion in tax credits for businesses to encourage should not spend any of it investment in impoverished urban and rural areas.

> -A \$1,000 tax credit for Americans with long-term health-care needs and family members who care for them.

> - \$12 billion to improve military readiness and modernization in fiscal 2000 growing to \$110 billion over six years.

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Embryo Research Approved in Controversial Decision



WASHINGTON (AP) - Despite ethical questions, the Clinton administration is about to finance research using the body's own "master cells" — the building blocks of tissue that scientists have culled from human embryos.

Studying how to harness these embryonic stem cells and turn them into therapies for Alzheimer's disease or diabetes, as well as ways to prevent birth defects and rebuild damaged organs, is considered one of the most promising new frontiers of science.

It's also controversial because these "master cells" are present only in early-stage human embryos. Some anti-abortion groups in particular call stem cell research morally unacceptable, because to get the cells, embryos would have to be destroyed.

Until now the research has largely been taboo, because federal law prohibits using taxpayers' money for research using human embryos.

But scientists working last year with scarce private funding succeeded in isolating some embryonic stem cells - both from aborted fetuses and from unused embryos from infertility treatments — and succeeded in multiplying the stem cells in laboratories to grow a supply for research.

Now the National Institutes of Health, the main provider of money for U.S. medical research, says that because these lab-grown stem cells do not constitute an embryo, it thus is legal for NIH to fund experiments using them - and it will do so within months.

"We know this is ethically sensitive territory," NIH Director Harold Varmus said Tuesday after announcing the decision before President Clinton's National Bioethics Advisory Commission. But "the prospects of benefit to living human beings ... are dramatic." Stem cells are the basic or primordial cells from which all of a human's tissues and organs develop. By themselves, the cells can't grow into a person.

But if scientists could control how the cells switch on to form different bodily tissues, they might produce lifesaving therapies: growing heart cells to rebuild disease-ravaged hearts, or insulin-producing cells for diabetics, or new brain cells for victims of Parkinson's or Alzheimer's disease.

Abortion opponents immediately decried the decision.

"Today's announcement ... is the latest step by the Clinton administration to treat human beings as property to be manipulated and destroyed," said Rep. Chris Smith (R-N.J.).



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Tommy Lee, warned earlier that violation of probation for spousal abuse could land him in prison, must appear in court next month to answer allegations that he used alcohol.

Lee was drinking alcohol, a violation of the rocker's probation, according to a recent New York Post article and MTV report brought to the attention of Municipal Court Judge Lawrence Mira.

On Tuesday, Mira ordered a Probation Dept. investigation and set a Feb. 4 hearing. Lee was sentenced in May to six months in jail and placed on three years' probation after pleading no contest to felony spousal abuse.

"Lee was arrested in February after Pamela Anderson Lee called police and accused Lee of kicking her in the back and buttocks as she held their son.

The former "Baywatch" star who now appears on "VIP" had a broken fingernail and red marks on her back, police reported.

 PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — The Huntington Woods Madam, accused of running a million-dollar-a-year callgirl ring in Detroit's well-to-do suburbs, was placed on two years' probation Tuesday.

Marci Devernay, 33, pleaded guilty to racketeering in exchange for the dismissal of five other counts related to the prostitution ring she allegedly ran out of her home. She could have gotten up to 20 years in prison.

puterized little black book, possibly confirming the worst fears of suspicious spouses. After seizing the records, police were besieged with calls from curious wives and men offering excuses for why their names might be in there. Devemay ran an operation prosecutor Paul Walton called "a 20th-century brothel with incidental acts of legitimate massage."

 CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. (AP) — Staff Sgt. Paul Rinnander thought he was making an offhand comment to a Marine base newspaper. But his few choice words landed him in trouble and sparked a nationwide debate over free speech.

Rinnander, an 11-year veteran with a flawless record, was asked by a reporter for the Scout newspaper's "Marine on the street" column whether anything bugged him about the corps.

"Recruit discipline," answered Rinnander, 29. "There is a total lack of discipline and respect shown by Marines coming out of basic training." Unfortunately for Rinnan-der, Sgt. Maj. Lewis G. Lee — the corps' senior enlisted man — was visiting Camp Pendleton when the comment was published in October. Soon Rinnander was ordered to report to Parris Island, S.C., to become a drill instructor.

"I wouldn't say it wasn't retaliation. He shot his mouth off and now he's going to be a [drill instructor] in 2000," Lee said Tuesday from his Pentagon office.

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Weather

Well, last week was action-packed, wasn't it? It was sunny every day, the president was getting imbeached, and Michael Jordan announced his retirement. Now if only he'd retire from doing all those lame commercials and endorsements.

Now I can understand endorsing things like basketball shoes or deodorant — these have something to do with athletics. But what about long distance companies, cologne and McDonald's?

Let's face it, enough is enough. I mean, there has got to be a point where you get so rich that making money really doesn't matter much anymore. So why does he insist on playing the role of lubricant in corporate masturbation? Well, at least there's still something in this world money can't buy ... self-respect.

Today's weather: overcast and chilly ... on days like these nothing warms me up better than Swiss Mix Hot Cocoa, only 75 cents at the Corner Store.

Correction

In Tuesday's "The Readers' Voice" in the Daily Nexus Opinion section, a letter was incorrectly attributed to Alexey Koyfman. Mr. Koyfman did not write the letter. The Nexus sorely regrets this error. 6

Police Report

Jumping Jack Flash

A young man was taken to Goleta Valley Hospital early Sunday morning after an 2:41 a.m., an officer responded to a resiaccident surrounding a couch fire resulted in injury, according to reports.

"[The subject] was jumping over a burning couch in the area of 6636 Del Playa when he collided with another young man, who was jumping in the opposite direction at the same time. [The subject] fell into the fire and suffered severe burns to his buttocks and hands before he was rescued," reports state.

Got Milk?

On Wednesday, Jan. 13, at approximately 11:45 p.m., an officer was dispatched to an apartment on the 800 block of Embarcadero Del Norte regarding a civil dispute. Upon arrival, the officer contacted a 19-year-old female resident, who said that she had recently been having problems with her roommate, according to Isla Vista Foot Patrol reports.

"[The victim] said that on Jan. 12 [the suspect] threatened to strike [the victim] on the head with a baseball bat," reports state.

The victim reported the incident to the IVFP, but said there had been no further conflict until she returned home earlier that evening, according to reports.

"[The victim] opened her personal container of milk and observed a foreign smell coming from the container of milk. The milk was not expired and had been refrigerated," reports state.

The victim told the officer that she is the only one who drinks from the milk. The victim added that one of her friends had drunk a glass of the milk, which was taken for chemical analysis, according to reports. Vista Foot Patrol reports.

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'A Case of Life Imitating Art?

On Thursday, Jan. 14, at approximately dence on the 6700 block of Del Playa Drive regarding a report of annoying phone calls. Upon arrival, the 21-year-old female resident told the officer that she received a call at 12:30 a.m. on Jan. 11 from a male caller who activated a pre-recorded message from the movie "Scream" that was violent in nature, according to reports.

"At approximately [2 a.m.] she received an additional telephone call from the same male caller who said, I know where you live, I'm going to kill you.' The victim said she could hear laughter and additional voices in the background," reports state.

The victim received a similar call on Jan. 12, and Jan. 13 she found a message on her voice mail, according to reports. Some People Have No Shame

On Thursday, Jan. 14, at approximately 8:43 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the 6600 block of El Colegio Road on report of a theft. Upon arrival, the 75-year-old female victim told the officer that, while looking through her hall closet, she found an old shoe box containing rare coins to be missing, according to reports.

"[The victim] said the white shoe box contained a pair of tan men's dress shoes, an 1812 silver dollar, one silver half dollar, three silver quarters and five Indian head nickels. [The victim] also said the box contained multiple Indian head pennies," reports state.

The victim estimated the box and its contents to be worth approximately \$3,640, according to reports. Compiled by Curtis Brainard from Isla





†1998 survey of medical school students by Bruskin-Goldring research. For more details of the survey, check out our website at www.kaplan.com/mcat.

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will not be dispensed until the next Leg Council meeting.

"If there is no Leg Council meeting Wednesday, the Finance Board's minutes won't be approved, and if the Finance Board's minutes aren't approved, none of the student groups who received funding will get their money," she said.

Scheduled for debate at the meeting was a bill written by Costley titled "Accountability During Budget Allocations." According to Costley, the A.S. By-law change recommendation, which was voted down 3-4 at Tuesday's Finance Board meeting, aims to open up that board's budget deliberations for public view, while still not allowing students to comment in the proceedings. She attested that if Leg Council votes down this bill, it would be a violation of its mission statement.

"For a student government that drafted its mission statement that visibility and accountability would be the priority for the school year, I am appalled at the argument I am hearing against this bill," she said. "People keep saying that it's going to slow the budget process down too much or we are going to have to endure negative reactions from the audience if we open the hearings. But if you are going to place yourself in a position of leadership at this school, you better not be too intimidated by the public view to do what is right."

Costa said he has tentatively rescheduled the meeting to be coupled with the Jan. 27 meeting, and he apologized to all parties involved.

"The meeting will be rescheduled in order to give 72 hours of notice [to the public], and I apologize to all who would be affected," he said.

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ate the townhouse, her clothes caught fire and she suffered second and third degree burns, according to Johnson.

"The fire was well involved by the time the fire department arrived at the scene. Everything was either burnt, water damaged or heat damaged, but the frame of the house was still intact," he said. "If she had left when she first discovered the fire, she probably wouldn't have gotten burned."

Burnham was brought to the Goleta Valley Cottage Hospital, then transferred to the Sherman Oaks Burn Center, where she was later released, according to Johnson.

A dip into freezing temperatures triggered the apartment's heating system, Johnson said.

"The thermostat dropped and caused the automatic heater to activate. Since the heater was blocked, the heat had nowhere else to go but to the piano," he said.

An inspection determined that no smoke detector was installed in the residence, according to Johnson.

"Law requires apartments to have a smoke detector. All heaters need to be in proper working condition and 36 inches away from anything combustible, even portable heaters," he said.

The most commonly misused heater is the electrical, portable type because the cords are only six feet long and small-gauge extension cords are not able to carry the electricity, according to I.V. Housing Inspector

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JASON SCHOCK / DAILY NEXT

Smoke stains mark the walls of 6716 Abrego, where a fire erupted as a result of a dangerously placed piano.

wall heaters is that they are used infrequently, he added.

"The fuel-gas wall heaters in Isla Vista are rarely used by the occupants in the structures, so they are not properly maintained. Tenants should call the Gas Company to find out if their heater is functioning properly," he said.

Although landlords are responsible for heater maintenance, tenants should ask their landlords if their heater has been inspected by the Gas Co., when it was last used and when the filter was last changed, according to Fairly.

Heater-related fires are not very common, Gas Co.

Steve Fairly. The danger of Customer Service Representative Kay Long said.

"The most common problem with heaters would be the gas light going out," she said. "[People] should check for a gas leak to prevent fires."

Sophomore biology major Elsie Tanadjaja said the incident has made her think about the precautions she can take to prevent a heaterrelated fire.

"I didn't realize how dangerous heaters can be. This incident has made me think that someone should educate the public on heater safety," she said. "I plan to ask the landlord about their heating units before renting an apartment."

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If you take any reasonably smart person and tell them to spend a year researching an industry, they can become an expert if they work at it." Christy Haubeager

further information.

approached, she couldn't shake the magazine idea from her head, so she decided to devote a year to chasing her dream. "My friends thought I was crazy." she recalls. "But I figured the worst thing that could happen would be that the business wouldn't fly and I'd end up being a lawyer after all.

of your contacts. you should," she says. Turns out that Christy's classmate's aunt's neighbor (follow that?) knew the editor of Essence, a women's magazine aimed at African-Americans. Christy convinced the magazine's president to meet with her. and his company agreed to help fund her start-up. Christy

As President of her class at law school, Christy already possessed the leadership skills that entrepreneurs need. Her

she figured she could learn what she needed to know pretty

to spend a year researching an industry they can become an

expert if they work at it," she says. "All the data I needed was

magazine industry books on how to write a business plan, it

was all there." In the meantime, she lived on the cheap in San

Once Christy's business plan was done, she started to show it

to people who might be willing to invest the millions of dollars

told me no. I counted." she says. "But most of them didn't slam

Eventually, some good old-fashioned networking led her to her

first big investor. "If you don't believe that stuff about using all

she would need to launch a glossy publication. "192 people

the door in my face, and I was able to learn a lot by asking

them how I could improve my business pitch."

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Francisco's Mission District and did legal research to pay

quickly. "If you take any reasonably smart person and tell them

publishing experience, however, was limited to editing the Stanford Law Review. Still,

launched Latina magazine in 1996, and it was an immediate hit. Today, it has an impressive circulation of almost 200,000, but it wasn't easy getting there. One of the hardest things about being a young entrepreneur is simply the fact that you are young. Potential business partners often assume you are inex-

> meeting and thought they were looking at a magazine publisher. But I persevered. You and fake your confidence when you need to."

perienced. "Nobody saw me walk into a Series

> While there is a certain glamour associated with being the publisher of a major magazine. Christy still relishes the role of underdog. "Each milestone means so much more when you're a start-up," she says. "A major retailer just advertised with us for the first time. To a larger publication, it wouldn't be such a big deal. But when they agreed to be in our magazine, we jumped up and down and cried and hugged. Then, "she laughs, "we ate ice cream."

As an owner of a growing company and Publisher of Latina. Christy has continued to nurture her dream magazine into a leading lifestyle publication, read by thousands of dynamic. educated young

women just like herself. She says that she hopes to inspire other young women to pursue their dreams as well.



from the Ms. Foundation (also

given to Oprah Winfrey and Madeleine Albright), and Tom Brokaw named her one of the "most influential people of the year" in 1996.

So how did she end up in company like that? Turns out it all started with one simple question. "I took a few business classes in school with some great professors, and they always talked about the search for that mythical big idea." she recalls. "As a Mexican-American. I'd always wondered why no one had ever produced a magazine for Latina women. Then I wondered if I could do it myself."

Christy graduated from the University of Texas in 1989 with a philosophy degree and immediately headed off to Stanford University Law School. But as law school graduation ********

For someone who is only 30 years old. magazine magnate Christy Haubegger has already put together a pretty impressive resume. She's won an award

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A Toast to Brother Frank

MARC VALLES

was human.

I'm trying to start writing this, but I keep getting interrupted by people shook up by the loss of Frank, or shared memories of Frank, or the unlucky people who now have to live with the regret of never having been lucky enough to be taught by Frank. He was good. He was the best.

When I came here as a freshman and got sucked into the *Nexus*, it wasn't long before I heard of him. "You've got to take a McConnell class," my co-workers told me — repeatedly, reverentially, bug-eyed, as if "McConnell" were an experimental party drug without which the UCSB experience would remain incomplete. He was better than that. He

First impressions of a McConnell class: The man enters the room. This man is a character out of the movies. Suit, suspenders, tie, cane, tumbling in, flushed, wild eyes, wild hair, that mustache, that cigarette smell, that high-pitched honest giggle, that famous opening, loosely recalled: "Hey, everybody, how the hell are ya? I smoke, I drink, I swear and if you don't like it, fuck you, 'cause I got tenure."

One minute into the class and you know this is the best you're ever gonna get.

In and out of class, McConnell talked with you — not at you, not to you, not in your general direction, but with you. The way he conversed was paradoxical; he spent one quarter of the class apologizing for his own inadequacy, something so damned small only *bis* vision could spot it, another quarter singling out about half the students in the lecture hall for their brilliance and promising them a beer, one-eighth promising he'd cut off his left nut if only he could write like that, and the balance reminding you how to love by ranting and joking about what he loved.

McConnell never *lectured*. He never challenged your ability to withstand monotony or what passes for comfortable chairs at this school. He never *bored*. He woke you up by telling stories and stories about stories. Enthusiastically. Comically. Joyously. You'd never see anyone in class laugh or cry as much.

Frank taught us all, most of whom had been unlucky enough to come to think of "English professor" as a job title, what the words *mean*. While some of us had gotten used to a lot of talking and theory and jargon about some uses of English and some of the people that used it and what they might have meant, McConnell professed, shouted, swore his love for the language and the stories it could tell.

I was lucky enough to have been in three classes with the man. When I took his class on the novel in English at 8 a.m. — an unholy hour of the morning for a regular Gaucho, let alone a *Nexus* junkie — I vowed to wake up for every one of his classes and never regretted it. When I took science fiction — the class Frank was scheduled to teach again this quarter — I made it to every class. McConnell was something all too rare. He made you want to get out of bed and run to class.

Most professors can teach you facts, knowledge, theories, systems, skills; some can teach you these things passionately; some even teach the benefits of passion itself. In our time, our cynical, sarcastic, dull, numbing time, Frank McConnell did something else. If you were lucky enough, he taught you what you already knew but maybe had forgotten along the way: a passionate enjoyment of life itself, told to you in stories and stories about stories.

I don't know what more any of us can say. Cheers, Frank. You still owe me a beer, but a lot of us owe you an education.

Marc Valles is a junior English major.



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A TRENDY MUSIC ALTERNATIVE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Bravo to Thomas Rhodes for highlighting a painfully obvious fact — the dry desert of radio broadcasting that is Santa Barbara. I tell you, if I have to hear "Lovefool" one more time ... But wait! There is one oasis that shines brightly, and it's right on campus: KCSB-FM 91.9. Replete with public affairs programs addressing numerous issues, local and national news and sports, and more genres of music than you can shake a stick at, KCSB is a buffet of broadcast programs bound to please anyone. Thus, I invite you, Thomas, and everyone else to tune in as we begin our new winter season this Monday, Jan. 18. We have a slew of stellar new shows from talented graduates of KJUC, our residence halls-broadcast AM station. Stop by the KCSB station, located right smack underneath Storke Tower, and pick up a programming schedule so as to know exactly when shows particular to your taste are broadcast; better yet, tune in anytime, and find yourself learning to actively listen to something fresh, informative and free of Puffy.

JOSH NAFTEL

MUSIC IS FROM DP, NOT FRATS

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I was amazed in reading Thomas Rhodes' piece "More Trendy Than Kruz 103" (Daily Nexus, "The Readers' Voice," Jan. 13). He came up with a list of 10 songs that he believes "are played continuously on the radio and then played over and over again at all of our favorite frat houses.' Thomas, I have been to more than my fair share of fraternity events and have never heard a Dave Matthews Band song. I would remember and love it. Maybe your article was a joke because it certainly was laughable. It simply sounds like you wrote those words for argument's sake. Sure some of those songs are overplayed and trendy, most people would agree with you, but they can be fun to listen and dance to. I know it might surprise you, but I bet that you listen to music that some fraternity boy somewhere listens to. I do guarantee you that you can walk down DP any weekend night and hear almost all of the songs on your pathetic list all at the same time, and as far as I know, there are no fraternity houses there. There goes your argument on popular music that "only frat boys can wear it out."

ties exclusively and then end your article with a spineless jab on sororities? I don't know and I don't care, but do a little research before you further your embarrassment with your promised "Top 10 list of songs for sorority houses." I would actually be interested to see what you can come up with.

Get over yourself for one minute, Thomas, and realize that your view of fraternities and sororities is as trendy and ignorant as anything I have ever seen. AMY HIGBY

supply, transportation and business culture in the U.S.

The EPA produces nothing and invents nothing but more regulations, which cost the taxpayers more and more. It is a total suck on the American economy. The EPA was created by Congress, and its 19,000 employees have Congress by the throat.

Politicians are afraid to speak out against the irrational EPA programs for fear of losing votes or, worse, they pander to their prorams as political "look goods." If left unchecked, the EPA will make the Spanish Inquisition look like a tennis match at Wimbledon. One of the irrational programs is the Endangered Species Act. The ESA was passed by the voters to protect the bald eagle and the brown bear, but without our vote, the Washington bureaucrats are applying it to everything on Earth but man. This act needs to be totally revised, changed or eliminated. The species on the list need to be reviewed by an outside, independent and scientific panel to determine whether the present species have been properly selected, and which should be deleted. The effect that every species selected has on the economy, farming, roads and transportation must be weighed against the cost of saving them. This country is going broke. We cannot afford such a luxury as saving species without knowing the cost impact on the economy

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and our individual pocketbooks. The people should have a right to vote on every species placed on the list with the knowledge of what effect it will have on the cost of bread, gas and our jobs. We are being taxed for this issue without our knowledge or vote! We are becoming the endangered species, not some damn bugs!

Programs like this and those dealing with air quality and pollution-site cleanup are totally overemphasized beyond the pale of reason. They must be changed or eliminated. The American system must create a better balance between our needs for safety, jobs, transportation, finances, business, private property, rights and environmental considerations.

So, why do you pick on fraterni-

TAXPAYERS ARE THE ENDANGERED

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Green is not the only color in the political spectrum, although the political pundits and reporters would have you think so. The socalled environmentalists and the liberal media would have us think that the environmental issues are the only issues to consider. On the contrary, environmentalism is not THE issue, it is only one issue in the big picture; it is not THE big picture.

The worst political, social and economic influence by far in the American scene is the Environmental Protection Agency. Worse than the CIA, this product of the Washington socialist mentality is the greatest threat to our food The issue is whether America will continue to support the free enterprise system or become more and more a part of the socialist empire promoted by the Democrats (socialists). Folks, we are on the verge of losing it!

Government must be reduced, the budget balanced, and the deficit eliminated.

Let's not be afraid to bring balance back to the process and let's stop the forces of socialism in 1999.

JUSTIN M. RUHGE

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rats Haze for a Reason

nothy DiCarlo Uses His Own Experiences to Explain Why aternities Do What They Do; and It's Not Conventional Тімотну DiCarlo

s I sit here writing this opinion, I have one aim in mind. That is to try and crystallize the ments two SAE members miserably tried to bring to light in Thursday's *Nexus* ("Greek duct Board Acts on Double Standard," Jan. 14). What came across as drunken vence to the rest of us was actually supposed to be an explanation that they were treated ary by the GCB. In their opinion (and as we will see, I agree), they were maligned *in arison* to the actions of greeks everywhere. This, however, does not change the fact that actions — such as making pledges perform calisthenics and drink into catatonic states puld have them dismissed from any campus, revoke their charter or even lead to crimi-harges. Making remarks about date rape and pointing out police negligence does not your case.

von't chastise you anymore; lord knows your house doesn't need it. We all know hazing ens — with or without SAE — and the GCB's actions only hurt you without benefitnyone. Hazing is not a UCSB thing, not an SAE thing, not even a greek thing. It hapto athletes, it also occurs in the workplace. Hazing occurs everywhere, but I question if illy is a problem, which many lead us to believe. Does it really occur because a big bro is a pledge to drink, or is hazing really a two-way street?

our years ago I joined Theta Chi (not here, so GCB members calm down), expecting eagerly anticipating being a pledge. I fondly remember singing "Dream girl" to a sororith nothing but a pink teddy bear covering my wedding tackle. I remember the pusheating dog food/baby food. I remember reenacting Penthouse letters with my Pledge (not my finest hour). I even chuckle at the thought of my big bros stopping on the way, coming back from our retreat, and FORCING me to act out an epileptic seizure he road side and leaving me there.

es, I did these things. All illegal, all grounds for big time trouble. I also remember doing my roommate the following semester. AND IT WAS ALL FUN. I dare say it was e fun for me to pledge than it was to be a bro. That is why I joined Theta Chi. I did not so I could pretend I was an elite; I did not join to learn leadership. I didn't even join for heer!! I joined because I WANTED TO BE FUCKED WITH. The crazy stuff I did Il happy memories, and my friends who didn't join a greek letter organization can never w how much I value the stupid things I did.

aternities offered me a chance to be foolish, a chance to be young, but they also offered ety net. At no time was I ever in danger or forced to compromise my standards. If at me I had said "no," the activities stopped. The events I found myself involved in hap-



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pened because of a mutual understanding.

Even telling pledges to dress up on certain days is considered "hazing" in several states. It is impossible for greek organizations to avoid it because of campus standards. Looking at the letter of the law, SAE has no case. What the GCB is doing in its actions is so PC it kills the spirit that makes fraternities so fun. Without a little hazing, the guys cannot form bonds. Without the adventures and misadventures surrounding the pledge experience, they become what so many people believe ... a group of guys who bought their friends.

I have a feeling this is what Nick Kaiser and Morgan Lutes were trying to tell us. I felt compelled to write because I found their arguments contorted and incomplete. It hurt their case more than it helped. People who have been involved in fraternities knew where you were coming from. Unfortunate events happened to you that could happen to anyone, but because you have letters you are being forced to pay double. This is a horrible event for you guys, but a wonderful opportunity to show the nay-sayers the meaning of the word "fraternity." Maybe you broke a few rules, but who in this community doesn't? You may lose your recognition on this campus, but you won't lose your brothers.

Timothy DiCarlo is a senior political science major.



I'T BUY THOSE AZINES ...

Daily Nexus lay, my roommates and I in a "three's a crowd" eket check-out line when sucked in by the massive of advertising propaat littered the covers of all en's fashion magazines. plethora of anorexic, heroineaddicted unreal waifs that model for me those oh-so-necessary and trendy multicolored butterfly hair clips? I know what you're thinking, you're thinking, "Gosh, I bought some of those hair clips outside the UCen the other day." See, they've brainwashed you too.

Seriously though, it doesn't matter how wonderful and sensitive your boyfriend is, how pleasurable your sex life is, or what size bra you wear, after reading these magazine articles, more than likely you'll find yourself wondering if you are really content with your life, your man, and your body. Does your boyfriend communicate enough? Are you adequate sexually? Is that tummy protruding a little too much? These plaguing questions never end, and with each month's edition of that magazine, you'll find yourself worrying more about unnecessary issues. Maybe I could use a bit of good advice in such areas, however, I am not willing to sacrifice my own self-esteem with the turn of each glossy designer advertisement. So, "No," I told my roommate, "I don't want to buy a magazine, and neither should any woman." Ladies of UCSB, be confident in your own worth as a beautiful, intelligent and original woman. Next time you're #4 in the "three's a crowd" supermarket line and your eyes fall on the headline "How to Fit Into That Dress and Make

Every Man Want You," turn your back on those magazines and look to the candy shelves instead.

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THE MARIJUANA SAGA CONTINUES

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Letters to the editor should be no longer than 500 words and MUST include the author's name and phone number.

someone violates this rule), then I believe the forces of government should come crashing down on this individual regardless of how commonly it occurs.

I also would like to address Mr. James' erroneous statement claiming that my assertion that "there is not one medically documented case where marijuana irrefutably killed someone" is false. What I said is not false, nor is it my fault that Jerry misconstrued this clear

left alone by the government. STEVEN RIDER

THANKS FOR THE PRESENTATION

Editor, Daily Nexus:

We are writing to express our appreciation to the UCSB Interdisciplinary Humanities Center and Partners for Peace for bringing to campus the presentation "Jeru-



On a Related Note: "One may smile, and smile, and be a villain." William

Shakespeare

Dangar.

Have you noticed that all of the UCS8 elevator permits have expired? Now that just doesn't seem very safe, especially upon considering the elevators in Ellison Hall --where whenever you step on, you feel like the ground could

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bigger boobs," "How To Tame) The Man of Your (picture of Brad Pitt) and ind-Blowing Sex NOW!" in big, bold, orange letroommate asked me if I a magazine. Ordinarily I ave picked up the latest of my favorite, you know, oasting a Special Sex Edit something stopped me Did I really want to be d, with each flip of the at I can't fit into those ans I bought two months feel guilty for not doing my Steel this week?

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I sincerely hope that all of my readers are capable of recognizing the difference between cannibalism and smoking weed. I thought I was very clear in emphasizing that the act I wished to decriminalize was smoking weed in a peaceful and consentual way.

Surely someone of Mr. James' vocabulary can recognize the difference between this act and cannibalism. However, seeing that this is not the case, I will define it in more specific terms.

I believe that people should have the right to do whatever they wish as long as it does not infringe on the rights of others. I would also like to emphasize that I do not believe that being high, stoned or drunk is an excuse to violate this principle. If someone does violate this principal (and indeed, eating

statement.

Note to Jerry James: Present a single case when marijuana was listed as "cause of death" and I will write you a public apology. But until then, you're out of line calling my statistics "false."

One more thing: It's a shame whatever happened to Mr. James' parents. But let's remember an important fact — this accident occurred when marijuana was illegal! Just think of what we could do if we were to shift our \$16 billion from fighting the drug war to helping drug users end their habit! Again, I'd like to stress my belief that there is absolutely no excuse

for whoever hurt his family. Whether they were high, drunk, stoned, mad or sleepy makes no difference. They should be punished with a felony and jail time and/or pay lifetime restitution to the harmed family members. But people who peacefully smoke pot on their own and do not get behind the wheel of a car should simply be salem Women Speak." In a single evening, three women sharing not only religious but generational differences, created a positive dialogue for peace while breaking down century-old barriers. They left the audience spellbound.

Each woman shared her personal experience living both inside and outside the walls of Jerusalem. They brought to life through visible tears the reality of the terror and helplessness they face everyday. Despite the grim reality that predominates their lives, these women have unceasing hope for peace in Israel and Palestine. The love and understanding that these women clearly share for each other united the audience for their cause. If these three women coming

from one of the most hostile areas in the world are able to place aside their differences and work side by side for peace, just imagine what we can accomplish.

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ity. Senior aquatic biology and physical geography major Jamie Lamb observed the march and said it made a positive

good thing to do," he said. "Some people don't even know what holiday it is. You've got to recognize that Monday was Martin Luther King Day. When you see all these people walking

Shoshana Boars-Stanton, however, thought the event should have been

"It was morbid. I think that they should be celebrating his life more than his death," she said. "I think it's a good





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Finance Board Considers Public Budget Forum

By BRAD GOODWIN Staff Writer

Dissemination of funds took a back seat to procedural issues when Associated Students Finance Board met Tuesday.

Board Chair Christina Costley brought two bills before the board for recommendation. One hotly debated bill, if passed, would open budget meetings to the public and increase A.S. accountability, according to Costley.

"This bill is about making public decisions in a public forum," she said. "The budget is a public decision and needs to be made in a public forum."

Board member Emily Dunn expressed concern that this break from tradition could hinder the budget process.

"All of us got together in closed session and worked very efficiently," she said. "Open meetings could interfere with the purpose of these meetings."

Board Vice Chair K.C. Mmeje spoke in defense of the bill, criticizing the argument that student input is already included in A.S. Legislative Council meetings. Mmeje objected on the grounds that the remarks section of the meeting comes only after all the decisions have been made.

"People say you can speak during remarks [at Leg Council], but I was there last year and I was faced with that opportunity," he said. "What the fuck am I going to stay for remarks for when I can't say anything that matters — everything is already done."

The board eventually voted against recommending the bill, but board member Myesha Jones defended the bill's goal of involving the student body.

"There is no student that I know of that reads the [A.S.] Legal Code. You say that the students do not have the training, but they know what they need," she said. "If I yield to a student [in a meeting], at least I have a chance to get that information."

The second bill proposed to alter some of the positions on Finance Board, but after debate the bill was tabled so changes could be made. Board member Brian Cheng outlined his objection to the bill as it was presented, saying the board should not add another voting member mid-year.

"This would be changing the rules halfway through the year, and I don't think it is very professional," he said. Environmental Affairs Board requested funds for a conference on grassroots organizing. Jones and others took issue with the fact that EAB had not gone to other sources for money, but the group was eventually awarded a \$1,000 allocation.

"If this is an environmental group, they should be able to go to other sources on campus," she said. "I don't see how it will hurt them to table for a week so they can go to those other sources."

Money was also requested by "Focus," an academic film journal that takes submissions from undergraduates. The board decided to grant \$1,727 to "Focus," which Jones compared to the publication *Herstory*.

"We gave *Herstory* \$4,500; this seems to be a publication that more students have a chance of getting their work in," she said.

On its third visit to the board, the A.S. Isla Vista Community Relations Committee received \$1,190. Board member Ahud Sela praised the committee for the allocation.

"A.S. getting involved with I.V. is paramount, considering there is the A.S. committee of IVCRC which has no money as of yet," he said.



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EAP Offers a World of Possibilities

By KRISTINA BROWN Reporter

Students who wish to broaden their horizons are in luck: UCSB offers an extensive and well-known program enabling students to see the world by attending a forcign university.

The Education Abroad Program now has 36 countries participating in student exchanges designed to give participants international insights and experience while taking courses that count toward UCSB credit. With the addition of three new countries — Armenia, Turkey and Vietnam — and varying program-length options, the number of students studying abroad will increase during the next few years, according to EAP academic adviser Cristina Rumph.

"In a sense, these programs were created because of student demand. We are adding new spaces to increase the number of students going abroad and to give opportunity where there might not have been otherwise," she said.

Education Abroad Coordinator Susan Berg-Arnold said that studying abroad can be a valuable part of a student's education.

"We strongly believe in the benefits of having a semester abroad," she said. "We are only reaching a small percentage of students and we want to reach many more. This is an opportunity students have a right to expect."

According to EAP Director Apostolos Athanassakis, study centers are accessible to students in each of the foreign countries to discuss academic issues and cultural events and help with emergency issues.

"Our students attend full-fledged and well-established foreign universities while they are studying the language of the country in which they live," he said. "They can also take courses in their majors as well as other courses, and the units which they earn are fully transferable to UCSB."

With an increased budget, EAP hopes to expand staff positions, hire more peer advisers, and create additional block allocations for scholarships, Athanassakis said.

"The more students that study abroad, the more money you need to send them," he said. "We need people to take care of our students appropriately. To do this, the operational budget will expand."

Although the EAP budget is still under negotiation with Executive Vice Chancellor Ilene Nagel, Athanassakis believes the benefits of the increase in funds to the program outweigh the costs.

"When the benefits to the university are balanced against the increase in budget it will probably cost little. One of the reasons for this is that fewer international students study at UCSB," he said. "If 200 of our students go abroad and only 100 come here, two things happen. Foreign students who come here bring revenue and at the same time there are still 100 free spaces to use here."

Over the next five years EAP hopes to increase the number of students studying abroad from 219 to about 300 to be on par with UCLA and UC Berkeley, Athanassakis said.

The EAP is an enriching program, according to senior Julie Patterson, who traveled to Florence, Italy, in the fall of 1998.

"Studying abroad was the most amazing and unforgettable experience of my life," she said. "I have grown so much as a person because of it."

The EAP office is in South Hall 2431.

"The price of justice is eternal publicity." – Arnold Bennett

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Sports

USC, Texas A&M Sink UCSB Swimming Teams

BY MATT HURST Staff Writer

This past weekend, the UCSB men's and women's swimming teams played host to three different schools. Friday saw the University of San Diego come to Campus March and Olympic time trials in Pool to take on the women, while July of 2000, beat USC's Nick Kas-Saturday was a dual meet with both teams taking on USC and the women facing Texas A&M as well.

Friday's meet was something of a disappointment to UCSB Head Coach Gregg Wilson and the women's squad, which had hoped for time in the 400 I.M. was 3:58.15 a much better showing than its 147-114 loss to USD.

"It was a close meet," Wilson said. "I was very disappointed that we lost, I thought we should have taken up the challenge and beat them. We beat them last year, but this year, they have a lot of new swimmers and they geared for us. We had significant swims out of about half of our team on Friday."

In Friday's meet, UCSB's Suzy Bagg came in first place in the 50 freestyle, setting the pace at 25.04, and junior Amanda Rose was first in the 1,000 free with a time of 10:38.8. But the big day came from freshman Shelby Chandler. Chandler finished first in the 200 backstroke with a time of 2:08.03 and came in second in the 100 back at 1:00.19.

Saturday's competition saw both Gaucho teams fall to powerhouses USC and Texas A&M, but not be-

fore certain UCSB swimmers turned a few heads at Campus Pool.

Santa Barbara senior Carl Larsen won three events Saturday afternoon, two of them in thrilling fashion. Larsen, who has already qualified for NCAA time trials in chik in two of those races. In the 200 breaststroke, Larsen narrowly edged out Kaschik, and then did the same in the following race, surging ahead in the final seconds of the 400 individual medley. His compared to Kaschik's 3:58.22. Larsen also won the 1,000 free in 9:11.11 and then anchored the men's 800-free relay with a 1:41.3 split. Larsen's performance Saturday only underlined a stunning stat: He has not lost a distance event this year.

"I wasn't expecting [Kaschik] to be up so fast," Larsen said. "It felt great to have an underdog like UCSB beat someone from USC because they have a powerful program. I've trained really hard this year. I've been concentrating on distance events and I've finally found my niche this year and the hard work has paid off."

Despite the 352-195 setback to the Trojans, Wilson was quite impressed with Larsen's accomplishments as well.

"Carl's performances Saturday were the best midseason performances by any Gaucho swimmer I



TOUCHDOWN: Even with the NFL playoffs creating a sense of football fever, the UCSB men's and women's swim teams had to go to work this past weekend at Campus Pool.

have ever had in 23 years," Wilson said. "He was fabulous."

The women's team also had a standout swimmer Saturday. Once again, Chandler opened the eyes of Wilson with lifetime bests in two backstroke events. In the 100 back, Chandler came in third with a 59.38, and finished the 200 back in 2:07.26, good enough for another third place. Unfortunately for the women's squad, it also fell to USC, 324-161, and then also to Texas A&M, 261-208. USC beat the 3-meter. Miller broke the school Aggies 307-194.

"I was really excited that in the 100-yard backstroke, the four Gaucho swimmers produced the four best times that we've ever had in a dual meet," Wilson said.

In the diving competition, held at the Rose Bowl, Santa Barbara senior Courtney Miller — the lone UCSB diver, male or female qualified for the NCAA Zone Dive Championship in the

category. The record and qualification were that much sweeter to Miller since she has gone without a true diving coach.

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"I took the summer off," Miller said. "It was hard to get back into it, but I'm getting help from old teammates and the coach from last year, and old coaches at the RecCen."

Next up for the Gauchos is a meet at Cal State Northridge this record in the 11 dive, 3-meter Saturday at 12 p.m.

Youthful Team of Santa Barbara Gymnasts **Showcase Promising Skills Over Weekend**

BY ZACK O'NEILL Reporter

word for now is potential. Santa Barbara began the provement was still not enough to win, however, and season last weekend with freshmen making up half of the Hawkeyes won the event with a team score of its roster. And, due to lack of experience, the Gauchos 184.5. know it will be some time before the team hits its Lillich's performance was a solid one, finishing secstride.

The promise of the young Gaucho team was undoubtedly much clearer after Sunday's meet against Iowa in Rob Gym. Behind the leadership of senior Georgina Lillich, the team finished with a total score For the UCSB women's gymnastics team, the key of 177.8, improving from Friday's mark. The im-

ond on the uneven bars with a score of 9.4 and third in



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Breakfast, Lynch and Dinner

Sophomore Chris Lynch and the UCSB men's basketball team head to Cal Poly to take on the Mustangs tonight at 7. The Gauchos have won five of their last six games and now hold a 3-1 Big West Conference record.

ley, UC Davis and Iowa University in two separate native finished third overall with an all-around score meets this past weekend, it was of little surprise that of 36.95. the more experienced seniors would turn in the key performances.

Head Coach Megan Fenton said. "It was important to get some experience and see where we are.'

out by both Davis and Berkeley in a three-team UC matchup. The Golden Bears won the competition cording to Fenton, the performances of these younger with a total score of 188.4 compared to the Aggies' 182.4 and the Gauchos' 161.4. It was UCSB's first meet of the season and an admitted test of nerves for all of the Gaucho gymnasts.

nior Jill Swanton said. "We have a lot to work on, but I had some injuries, so we had some problems, but we expect the team to improve.'

The meet was highlighted by the performance of the next meet." senior Alison Georgetti, who overcame her early season butterflies, not to mention a newly reconstructed shoulder, to place second overall on the balance beam progresses their performances will improve. with a 9.7. The high score enabled her to finish third in the meet's all-around standings with a score of 36.95, less than 1¹/₂ points from the top mark. "It was a little rough," Georgetti said. "We do have

room to improve. We have potential, we just haven't tapped into it."

When Santa Barbara competed against UC Berke- the floor exercise with a 9.5. The Camarillo, Calif.,

"The home meet went better than the away one," Lillich said. "We lost Jill Martin [because of a knee in-"We are very young, and need a little work," UCSB jury] and had to take some zeroes in the first meet, but we did much better in the second one at home."

Sunday's meet also featured the best finish for a On Friday, the Gauchos found themselves edged Gaucho non-senior: Junior Alanna Trimble placed second on the balance beam with a score of 9.275. Acgymnasts are not only the team's key to the future, but also to the success of the program this year.

"It was important for our experience to floor a whole "It was our first meet and we were all nervous," se- team on Sunday," she said. "We are so young and we know where we are now and will work to improve for

After the past weekend, many feel that as the year

"We've had a slow start, but we'll pick it up," Lillich said.

The team will next head out to Tempe, Ariz., where they will face Arizona State on Friday night.