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Group Advises UC to Help Purchase Parcel

■ Committee to Vote on Support for Acquiring Rest of Sedgwick Ranch Acreage for UC Use

By Davia Gray
Staff Writer

A vote of an Academic Senate committee today could help a preservation group stay on course in its goal to acquire and protect a local ranch from development.

The Land Trust for Santa Barbara County is attempting to purchase a 783-acre portion of Sedgwick Ranch for \$2,745,000 and then restore it to the University, giving the UC ownership of the entire 5,900-acre property. \$800,000 is due to the property owners by April 30 to preserve the deal.

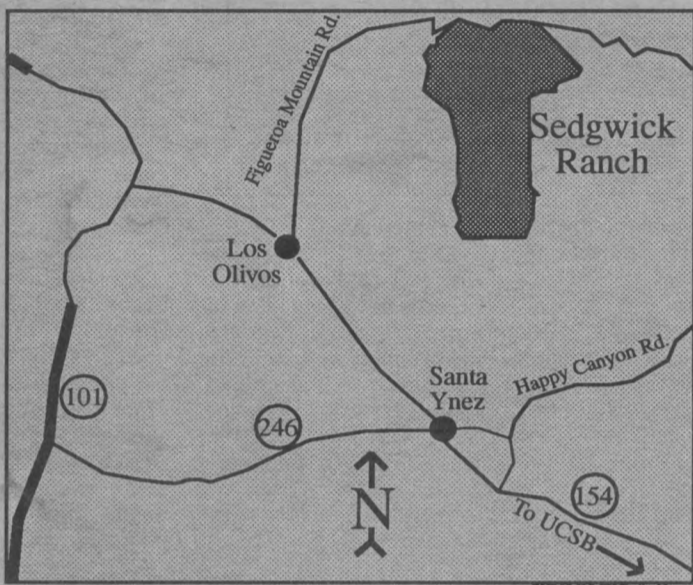
The 783-acre parcel is important because it includes the ranch's main access road as well as other facilities, according to Tom Carey, chair of Sedgwick Committee for the Land Trust.

"From a historical and practical perspective, this parcel contains all of the important structures and infrastructures. This way the University would not have to spend money to make additions and improvements on the remaining part of the ranch," he said.

A report by the Academic Senate Sedgwick Committee recommends that the UC Regents assist the Land Trust as soon as possible through an \$800,000 donation.

The Senate's committee on educational policy and academic planning is reviewing the report and will vote today on whether to support the recommendations, according to biological sciences Professor Scott Cooper, director of the Natural Reserve System.

Academic Senate Chair W. Douglas Morgan believes the committee's recommendations



will be beneficial in helping Chancellor Henry T. Yang, Executive Vice Chancellor Donald Crawford and the UC Office of the President make a decision regarding the appropriation of funds.

"The university may feel it is a very practical investment to make some contribution to the Sedgwick property," Morgan said. "Because of the quality of the report and the depth of the study, I think it will be very influential."

Half of the 5,900-acre ranch was given to the University in

1967 by Alice and Francis "Duke" Sedgwick for use as a research area in biology, geology, environmental studies, archaeology and ecology.

Another 24.5 percent of the ranch was willed to the University by Duke Sedgwick upon his death a few months later. Sedgwick's wife gave her parcel to the couple's children upon her death in 1988.

To pay off a debt from inheritance taxes on the remaining land, the heirs are seeking to

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Pooch Pals

Study Finds Service Dogs Great Assets to Disabled

By Michiko Takeda
Staff Writer

A psychology professor's research has found that dogs can significantly improve the lives of disabled persons, in ways ranging from replacing human assistants to helping them meet new people.

The two-year study conducted by psychology Professor Jim Blascovich and published Wednesday in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* found service dogs improved the psychological, social and economic well-being of 48 anonymous disabled participants.

Blascovich conducted the study with Karen Allen, a former student who is now a research assistant at the State University of New York at Buffalo. It is the first comprehensive and controlled investigation of the impact of service dogs, he said.

"This is the first study we know of that objectively assesses the effect of canine assistance for severely ambulatory-disabled individuals," Blascovich said.

The study subjects could not walk due to the effects of multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy or brain or spinal cord injury. The dogs increased their self-esteem, psychological well-being and social interaction, according to the report.

Blascovich said he was surprised to find the dogs also

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Suit Involving Harassment, Retaliation Upheld by Court

By Jeff Brax
Staff Writer

A recent Santa Barbara Superior Court decision has kept alive a sexual harassment lawsuit filed by a former administrator against the Graduate Division dean.

The suit alleges Dean Charles N. Li made sexually explicit comments and physically harassed former Graduate Division

Assistant Dean Anne MacLachlan, then terminated her April 25, 1994, in retaliation for speaking out. Li has denied all charges.

Attorneys for Li and the University filed a motion for summary judgment in February, asking Judge James Slater to rule in their favor without a trial. The UC's lawyers argued MacLachlan's suit should be thrown out because it was filed after the one-year statute of limitations for

harassment had expired.

However, Slater ruled in MacLachlan's favor March 13, siding with the plaintiffs' argument that her termination — which did occur within the statute of limitations — may have been an act of retaliation and sexual harassment.

"Since the plaintiff's original complaint was filed April 21, 1995, it was filed within the applicable limitations period of one year from the date of dis-

charge," he stated. "It is the termination which is the actionable event upon which the suit is brought, and that is timely."

In addition, Slater agreed that the statute was extended while MacLachlan appealed her firing through the university. MacLachlan lost a hearing before a special campus factfinder in October 1994, and both Executive Vice Chancellor Donald Crawford and Chancellor Henry T. Yang subsequently sustained her dismissal.

MacLachlan's attorney James Fizzolio said he had expected Slater to rule in his favor and was pleased with the decision.

"My reaction is what your reaction would be to winning," he said. "We certainly hoped [we would win]. Yes, I thought so, but it's a tough case, a tight case."

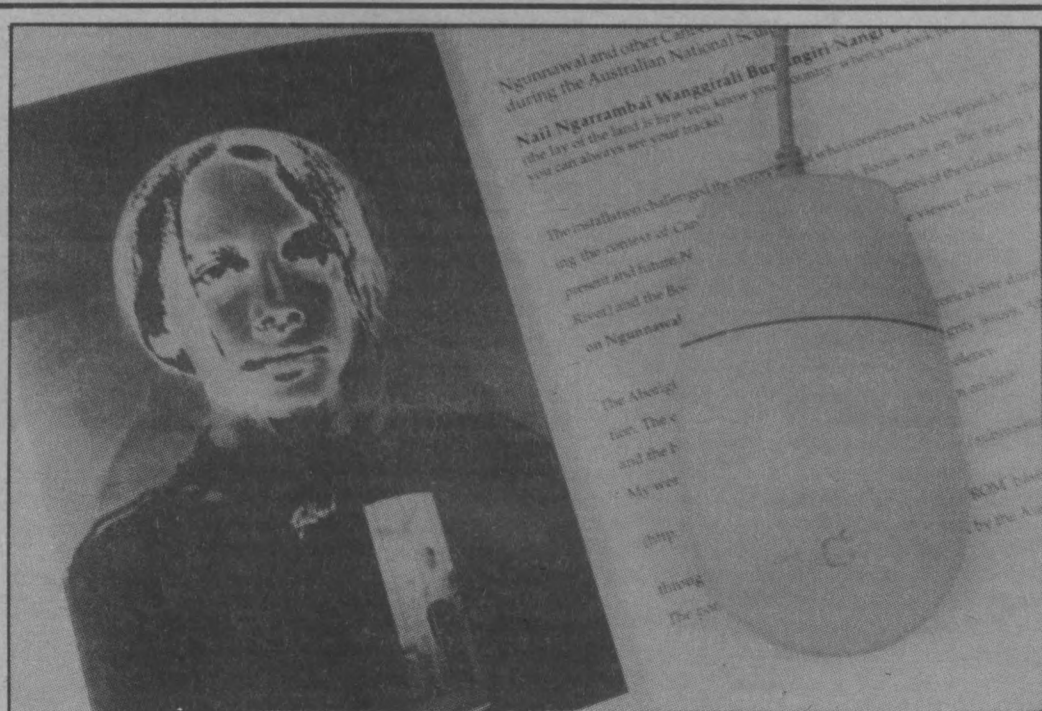
UC attorney Joe Hilberman refused to comment on the decision.

"I think it's really inappropriate to comment on the court's ruling, so I choose not to," he said. "I really think we should keep it confined to the courts and not make statements to the community."

Slater also allowed Fizzolio to amend the original complaint and combine the sexual harassment and wrongful termination allegations into one charge — even though he said Feb. 23 that he believed combining them was a ploy to keep the suit from being thrown out under the statute of limitations.

"The amended complaint is in the interests of justice because it

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DIAMEL RAMOUL/Daily Nexus

Computer Creativity

This multimedia piece of artwork centers on the struggles of indigenous peoples. The work will remain on display at the MultiCultural Center today.

Child Molester Gets Three Life Terms; Lawyer Plans to Appeal

An Isla Vista man who admitted to molesting 30 children received three consecutive life terms at his sentencing in Santa Barbara Superior Court Monday.

Vidal Torres, 44, must serve 38 years before he is eligible for parole. In February, Torres pleaded no contest to charges of molesting five children between the ages of 6 and 9. He later admitted to more incidents, though he claimed he never hurt his victims.

The long sentence will protect society from Torres, whose apparent lack of remorse was disturbing but unsurprising, according to Deputy District Attorney Joyce Dudley.

"His position is that he never

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HEADLINERS

Officials Detain Suspected Unabomber

LINCOLN, Mont. (AP) — A former Berkeley professor suspected by relatives of being the Unabomber was taken into custody Wednesday while federal agents searched his cabin near a mountain pass on the Continental Divide.

A member of the Unabomber task force, demanding anonymity, told *The Associated Press* the suspect was named Ted John Kaczynski and had been using many aliases.

A federal law enforcement official said Kaczynski was taken into custody so that he would not interfere with the search of his home, but he was neither arrested nor charged.

Chuck O'Reilly, sheriff of Lewis and Clark County, said 20 FBI agents searched the home near Stemple Pass, between Helena and Lincoln.

Butch Gehring, a neighbor, said the small cabin was the home of a Ted Kaczynski, described as being a resident since 1971.

"He was shy, real quiet. His conversations were short," Gehring said, describing Kaczynski as a hermit.

The search for the Unabomber in western Montana appeared to have no connection to the standoff between federal agents and the anti-government separatists known as

1969.

"We like the looks of this guy as the Unabomber, but we don't have make-or-break evidence yet," one federal law enforcement official told *The Associated Press*. "We have some writings that match up, but we don't have his tools yet. We want the irrefutable motherlode

land in Montana 10-12 years ago and has been building a house-cabin there since then, the official said.

Members of Kaczynski's family found some old writings of his while cleaning out a place where he once lived in Chicago, and the writings raised their suspicions, said two federal officials speaking on condition of anonymity.

The family approached an attorney in Washington, who alerted the FBI. Federal agents later got consent to search the former Chicago residence, officials said.

The Unabomber's spree began at Northwestern University outside Chicago in May 1978. Three people have died and 23 more were injured in 15 subsequent attacks; the most recent came April 24, 1995, when a timber industry executive was killed in Sacramento, Calif.

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Freemen near the town of Jordan, 350 miles to the east.

A Theodore J. Kaczynski, born May 22, 1942, in Chicago, was graduated from Harvard in 1962 and taught as an assistant professor of mathematics at Berkeley in the 1967-68 school year, according to Harvard and Berkeley records. He resigned in June

of evidence."

One law enforcement official said Kaczynski grew up in Chicago and received a graduate degree in mathematics from the University of Michigan. After quitting Berkeley, Kaczynski lived in Utah in the late 1970s and early 1980s, where he did odd jobs and menial labor, this official said. He bought

Corporation Awaits Details on Chairman's Fate

PASADENA (AP) — Parsons Corp. awaited word from a stormy Croatian hillside Wednesday on whether its chair was a victim of an air crash during an economic develop-



ment tour with U.S. Commerce Secretary Ron Brown.

Staff of the giant engineering and construction firm struggled with jumbled reports from the war-torn region where Leonard J. Pieroni, chair and chief executive, was touring with Brown and other U.S. executives.

"We're hoping for a miracle," said spokesperson

Ron Wildermuth.

Pieroni, 57, was on the passenger list and was last seen in a van headed from a hotel to catch the flight, said spokesperson Jamie Brown.

Staff at Parsons, an international company with \$1.6 billion in annual revenues and 10,000 employees, heard the grim news as they started their day and followed developments including a televised address by President Clinton to Commerce Dept. workers in Washington, D.C.

Bill Kuyanov, an engineer, heard the news over the company's public address system. Sharlene Fujikawa heard it on the way to work.

"It's pretty somber," Fujikawa said as she took a break outside the sprawling Parsons offices. "The

news reports are not very encouraging. Did you hear President Clinton? It was almost like a eulogy."

Brown's plane took off from Tuzla, Bosnia-Herzegovina, and crashed near the airport serving Dubrovnik, Croatia. There were 33 people aboard.

Pieroni, married and with two grown children, departed alone on his trip Saturday and was scheduled to have joined the Brown party on Monday.

Wildermuth said Pieroni's family was on vacation in Hawai'i and the State Dept. was in contact with them. The family was identified as wife Marilyn, daughter Vicki and son Len, who also works for Parsons.

Pieroni was included in Brown's trip because of the company's experience in reconstruction after na-

tural disasters and in Kuwait after the Gulf War.

"His attitude was this was an opportunity to contribute," Wildermuth said.

Pieroni, who joined Parsons in 1972 and became chair and CEO in 1990, summarized his objectives in a statement before departing on the trip.

"We welcome Secretary Brown's invitation to participate in this economic visit and we hope to contribute to the stability and growth of this region."

"Parsons' experience in reconstructing infrastructure following war, earthquakes and hurricanes can be of great benefit to restoring normalcy in the area."

January marked a corporate-wide restructuring, led by Pieroni, for Parsons.

Officials Condemn Beating of Immigrants by Deputies

RIVERSIDE (AP) — The videotaped beating of two illegal immigrants by his deputies was a shocking use of excessive force, Riverside County Sheriff Larry Smith said Wednesday.

"There will be no cover-



up," Smith told reporters, noting that investigations were under way by his department, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept. and the FBI.

"No one is above the law," he said.

About 75 people chanting "Viva la raza!" protested the beatings outside the detention center where Smith held his news conference.

"It's not an isolated incident," said Victoria Baca, president of the

Mexican Political Association. "The only difference this time is that the video cameras were rolling."

She said the beatings by the white deputies were "50 percent racism, 50 percent hatred." A larger demonstration was scheduled at the jail on Saturday, she added.

The beating, which triggered comparisons with the 1991 videotaped beating of Rodney King, strained relations with Mexico and prompted condemnation from federal, state and local officials.

In Los Angeles, Yvonne Magdalena Flores, president of the Mexican-American Bar Association of Los Angeles County, said she planned to file a federal lawsuit Thursday on behalf of the two immigrants who were beaten.

At a demonstration of about 100 outside the federal building, Flores blamed the violence on racism.

Federal Decision Overturns Conviction of S&L Chief

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A federal judge overturned the state court conviction of Lincoln Savings & Loan boss Charles H. Keating Jr. on Wednesday, ruling that Judge Lance Ito's jury instructions were flawed.



The decisions came from U.S. District Judge John G. Davies, who got the case after state appeals courts upheld the conviction.

Keating will remain in prison while he appeals his conviction on federal charges.

Davies sided with Keating's lawyers, who said Ito erred by telling jurors Keating could be convicted as a direct perpetrator of fraudulent bond sales to Lincoln investors

and had botched a specially crafted aiding and abetting instruction.

Keating was the most notorious figure of the 1980s S&L debacle, known for political influence that tarred the reputation of the "Keating Five" senators and for selling junk bonds that became worthless to elderly investors who previously had owned insured CDs.

"We're still pressing ahead on other fronts," said Keating's lawyer, Stephen C. Neal. "He's obviously delighted with the outcome."

The conviction of Keating on 17 securities fraud counts in December 1991 had been a major victory for the Los Angeles district attorney's office, which has lost many high-profile cases.

Keating also was convicted in federal court on charges of racketeering, fraud and conspiracy.

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Weather

Listen up, 'cause I'm only going to say this one more time. Rain on your wedding day alone is not by any stretch of the imagination an example of irony. Now, if you, in youth, decide that love is a painful waste of time and marriage even more so, and you say something like this: "Love is a painful waste of time, I'm never going to find somebody and even if I did, it would still suck. It'll just end up raining on my wedding day, so why bother?" Then if, years later, you forget your bitterness and meet someone you want to have sanctioned bonding with you're so happy, and you decide to get married and you're so blissful that even when it starts raining during the ceremony you don't care and just as you step into the limo you remember for the first time your words of years before, *that* might qualify as ironic.

I'm tempted to use this opportunity to decry today's hit music in general and ask why we can't have great bands like the Beatles around, but I don't think that would be a good idea since I've come to believe that Paul McCartney started the Mad Cow Disease Epidemic in Britain in order to boost sales of wife Linda's vegetarian frozen meals.

Well, there's still the beautiful climate to consider. It's kind of hard to be an angry, outspoken representative of my generation when it's springtime.

EIC Discusses Split at A.S. Meeting

By Ben Flamm
Reporter
and Amy Winter
Staff Writer

Continuing his attempts to emancipate the *La Cumbre* Yearbook from Associated Students, the publication's editor in chief appeared before Legislative Council Wednesday night to explain his reasons for wanting to sever relations.

La Cumbre moved to end 75 years of affiliation Tuesday afternoon when Editor in Chief Kevin Anderson delivered dissociation papers to A.S. Anderson did not back down Wednesday from plans to separate the yearbook from A.S., but was eager to quell Leg Council members' concerns and receive input.

"I feel strongly that this is the right thing, but I'm open to the thought of a trial period if that eases

people's doubts," he said. "It is all about my dedication to the book, which I feel has much more potential than it has been allowed to display."

Anderson told the council the separation may save A.S. money, since it now provides a \$10,000 salary to a yearbook staff advisor who would be eliminated under the change.

Because he delivered his address during the meeting's public comment period, Leg Council members had no opportunity to respond. But Internal Vice President Bo Thoreen encouraged them to discuss the issue on their own and communicate about it through e-mail.

In other business, Leg Council approved three items for the A.S. spring elections ballot.

The A.S. Constitution calls for Leg Council meetings to feature an impartial officer known as a par-

liamentarian, who interprets A.S. laws and assures that the gatherings follow proper rules of order. Thoreen has not fulfilled his duty to appoint such an officer this year.

The council voted to put a measure on the ballot that would let the student body vote to impose a limit on the amount of time the internal vice president can serve without appointing a parliamentarian, after it eliminated language in the bill that said the lack of the officer "allows the internal vice president to manipulate Legislative Council meetings at his/her own whim."

Some council members objected to the language because they thought it was overly critical of Thoreen.

Bill author and On-Campus Rep Frank Orellana stressed that A.S. law requires the position. "It's

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harm these children — that's outrageous," she said. "But the denial is so strong in child molesters that I almost expect that."

Deputy Public Defender Michael McGrath said he plans to appeal the sentence.

"I do think it's overkill to give three life sentences for the crimes he committed," he said. "Maybe for murder, but this is too harsh."

Judge James Slater sentenced Torres under a new state law making some first-time sex offenses punishable by 15 years to life. But Slater is the first judge to compound the terms because of multiple victims, according to McGrath.

"It's a new sentencing law and I'm not sure it will be found legal under appeal," he said.

Although Torres testified that he wanted to become a "different" person, Dudley said he is beyond reform, citing suspicions that he victimized more

children than admitted in court.

"My God, I wish he was a different person, too," she said. "But I don't even believe it was just 30 children."

McGrath said his client is remorseful and hopes for psychological treatment.

"The judge did recommend that he receive treatment at a state hospital," he said. "Whether the state will spend the money to get him treatment is uncertain."

—Rachel Howard



IS #1

Woodstock's has once again crushed the competition. Although this has been an annual occurrence over the last 7 years, we would still like to take this opportunity to gloat over our numerous victories.

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April 6-7: Cycling vs. Stanford @ Stanford

April 6: Men's Lacrosse vs. Berkeley @ Cal

April 6-7: Men's Ultimate @ Palo Alto

April 6-7: Sailing @ St. Francis Regatta

April 6-7: Rugby Tournament on Storke Field

Sign up for spring leagues while spots are still available

OPINION

"By perseverance the snail reached the ark."

—Charles Haddon Sturgeon



RYAN ALTOON/Daily Nexus

Free of A.S.

La Cumbre's Break From Student Government Has Positive Potential

Editorial

Concluding an ongoing effort to gain financial independence from campus governance, *La Cumbre* yearbook has officially separated itself from Associated Students.

Although the exact repercussions of such a severance are as of yet unclear, the annual publication's move to emancipate itself is a monumental and courageous step. Other yearbooks at colleges across the country have split from their student governments with favorable results, and if the ramifications of their independence are carefully weighed, *La Cumbre* may gain smoother operating procedures in the end.

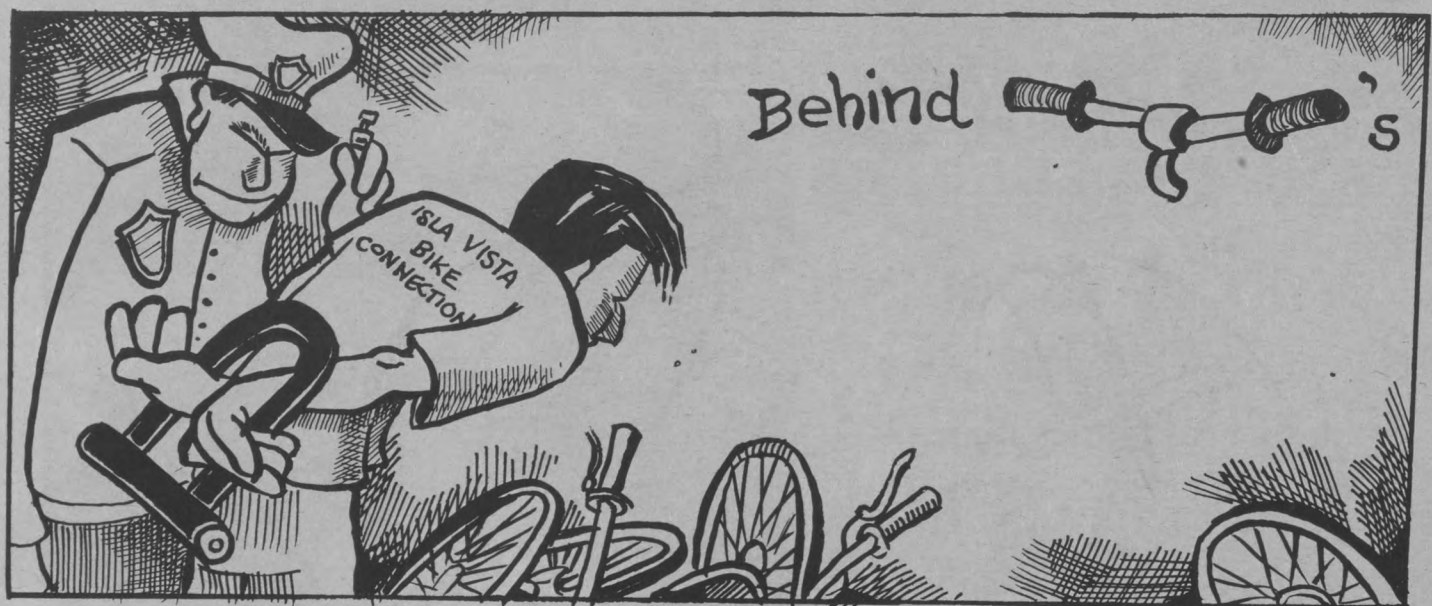
For the past few years, several yearbook editors have attempted to gain fiscal sovereignty, claiming A.S. red tape restricted their daily working environ-

ment. Their efforts saw no results at the time but they did create the eventual building blocks for the decisive actions by this year's *La Cumbre* leadership.

The break is not only applauded by former editors but is further backed almost unanimously by the yearbook staff.

Even though the severance is so widely supported, however, *La Cumbre* Editor in Chief Kevin Anderson is still open to differing opinions and encourages the maintenance of the A.S. Yearbook Advisory Committee. While firm in its decision to disassociate, *La Cumbre* is welcoming outside input and opinions about the publication's management.

Congratulations to the *La Cumbre* staff for its push to become an independent campus publication.



KEVIN GLEASON/Daily Nexus

Busted

Kudos for the Cops, but Bike Theft Is Still a Problem

Editorial

The Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Dept. deserves a hearty "thank you" from Isla Vistas this week, as their recent sting operation busted an alleged kingpin in one of our community's most widespread black markets — the fencing of stolen bicycles.

Steffen Feser and two accomplices were recently arrested at their shop, the Isla Vista Bike Connection, which was fortunately in business only a couple of months. Along with the bust came 299 possibly stolen cycles, ready for sale to unsuspecting locals.

As most students and area residents know, bike theft is a common problem, and it is gratifying to know the local law enforcement is actually doing something to stop the vicious cycle.

However, it still remains up to the individual biker to always take precaution. A majority of thieves are commonly drunken students looking for a quicker way home than stumbling, so a minimal effort is usually required to keep your wheels safe.

Remember to keep your bike locked at all times when unattended, and if possible, latch it to a rack or convenient stationary object. If your bike has easily detachable parts, you may want to buy a wire lock or keep it stored inside when not in use.

Also, write down the serial number of your bike, typically found on the base of the frame, along with a brief description of the make and model for identification purposes in lieu of the tragic occurrence that your ride gets hoarded.

Although bike theft may seem like a trivial thing to worry about, when it happens you, it is an expensive inconvenience.

'Go for Four'

Bucky Jones

So the cinnamon-toast-crunch makers of UCSB, along with a few red-nosed politicians, think that students who don't graduate in four years are all just a bunch of treacherous leeches, detestable vermin who suck the hard-earned greenbacks right out of innocent taxpayers' synthetic, leather-skinned wallets.

Well, golly, Vern (or should I say Brooks), this new "Go for Four" program is like a great big mound of festering feces — *it stinks!*

Why does the "Go for Four" program smell like shit? Well, at first glance, this new program for accelerated matriculation might appear to be a nice approach by the university to assist those students who get lost in the great void of majors, GE's, etc. Yet, I believe that this "Go for Four" program's supposedly "good" intentions are actually shroud-like veils attempting to cover up the true stench, and when the walls are broken down, the program's despicably rancorous origin is soon revealed.

Essentially, if a student needs an extra couple of years to understand who he or she is and to understand what he or she wants to do in life, then that student should get those years. The decisions made in college are often crucial and therefore require ample time. Assemblyman Firestone stated, "Obviously [four-year graduation] is better for the students and it's better for the taxpayers."

As chair of the state Assembly Committee on Higher Education, I would like to think that Mr. Firestone knows what is best for UCSB students — yet I do not think he realizes that attaching arbitrary and utterly random time frames upon an individual's education is simply moronic and counter-

Men Need to B

Kurt Peterson

I need to say something about harassment from the male point of view.

I myself had to deal with being accused of some particular aspect of harassment (which I am still quite unsure about, though at least it was non-physical), which led to a meeting with the dean of students and a sexual harassment officer about a year ago.

I know now that my actions, without clear communication, could have been taken as a little extreme or out of the ordinary, but that's just it. I had my own problems with communicating, but my alleged "victim" could not or would not explicitly communicate when she should have either. I have suffered a lot of depression because of this problem. I have done the most I can do with the emotional strength I have in this area to try to find out how she is.

I feel I am on the other side of the spectrum of actual unreported sexual harassment. To put my story in perspective, I have never loved a girl more in my life of 23 years. If you are already trying to place me as some abnormality diagnosable by psychology, get some reins for those horses of yours. Besides the fact that I fell in love with this girl the first time we locked eyes, she has just about every quality and talent I don't have. For all you guys out there, I truly met my "dream girl."

The only characterization of harassment anyone portrayed to me about my actions was stalking. Though I was emotionally "flooded," I remember all of my actions. The only time I ever could have "stalked" her was when I was sitting at a bench near the building of her residence while trying to decide what the heck to do with the emotions I wanted to express to her. I didn't even know if she was home.

Besides that, to this date, I am still astounded at how many times we would meet up at places at the same time. I would always wonder about two people out of 20,000 having such coincidental rendezvous, but I would just brush them off as something having to do with love.

Now, after much counseling by various means,



UCSB Treats Students Like Sausage

progressive (not politically but in terms of the human race). Call me Voltaire, but I think our 35th District assemblyman might be playing the proverbial ostrich, sticking his head in a hole in the ground, and talking out of his ass.

This entire program's philosophy of trying to get students "out" as quickly as possible, combined with constant tracking of them so

tional nomads still pursuing the holy grail of knowledge of the world and the self. Yet, when a university creates this "Go for Four" horse manure, it promotes a mentality to all students not graduating in four years that getting a college education is equivalent to getting lunch at McDonald's. But unlike the double cheeseburger with extra pickles, one's pursuit of knowledge cannot and

Is it to make nuclear missiles (Livermore)? Or maybe to patent nicotine patches? (Oh, wait, sorry, that's why UCLA exists.)

I don't know the answer, but when I see shit like "Go for Four," my answer to this question is that it exists in order to pump out student after student, diploma after diploma, to keep the Kerrian "knowledge factory" rolling into the 21st century.



they don't fall "short of the goal," reminds me of the mindset prison officials have toward inmates at state penitentiaries. In other words, the goal for all prisoners (students) is to get "out" of prison ASAP, and if one displays good behavior (i.e., fulfills GEs) one might just be released (graduate) in four years. It's almost as if Firestone and others want to instill this prison-like atmosphere for all students at UC Alcatraz, er, I mean Santa Barbara.

Don't get me wrong, I know that many UCSB students tiptoe across that fine line between parasitic bloodsuckers and educa-

should not be rushed.

The bottom line is that there will always be leeches, always parasites who only use financial aid to buy weed, and student loans to pay off Vegas debts. Yet, for that great big chunk of students who work minimum-wage jobs to support themselves through college, possibly have more than one major or who just need some time to make decisions that are crucial to one's life, for chrissakes, the university ought to give them TIME.

This new program and its subtle implications inevitably raise the crucial yet so often neglected question: Why does UCSB exist?

This promotion of fast-food education is synonymous with the meat-grinding metaphors in Pink Floyd's *The Wall* (the film), in which the students are metaphorically equated to London sausages, all just pieces of meat. When Mr. Firestone suggests that those students who don't graduate in four years are a "burden" to taxpayers, how are we not to feel like byproducts of a great higher-education, sausage-spewing machine?

When one equates the sacred pursuit of knowledge to "burdens" to taxpayers, I am forced to ask the question: Why does civilization exist? Is it me or does anyone else out

there think that a civilization is predominantly defined by the intellectual capacity and artistic creation of its citizenry?

I'm sure there are a lot of people out there who think that California, as well as this country, is defined by the size of its missiles (Freud would be proud of you), but for all of you phallogocentric addicts of symbolically oversized rods of power, Sparta sucked. If you don't know what I mean by this comment, put down the keys to your Corvette, put out your cigar, drop the .357 Magnum with the elongated shaft and take a classics course on ancient civilizations. If those of you who do this still think it's the size of the weapon, not the mind, that counts, sorry.

Regardless of why one thinks civilization exists, we as students do not want to be viewed by "taxpayers," university officials or politicians as mere investments who salivate like a Pavlovian dog at the sight of a rubber-stamped - I n - N' - Out-slam-bam-thank-you-Chancellor-Yang diploma.

Diplomas, after all, are just pieces of dead fucking trees, nothing more, nothing less ... unless the individual receiving the diploma can associate some sort of pride or satisfaction with this potentially valuable piece of paper. Thus, when the university promotes these Henry Ford assembly line "programs," they obliterate the very reason why people feel proud to receive diplomas and, therefore, seemingly undermine the foundation of higher education.

Ultimately, if taxpayers or Brooks Firestone or anyone else is still bitter that too many students are not graduating in four years, then I suggest that they re-evaluate why UCSB exists, as well as civilization in general. Then, if they're still feeling a bit disgruntled, I suggest they take a look at the student-designed program in response to "Go for Four" that I am currently trying to lobby A.S. to implement. I call it "GO FUCK YOURSELF."

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Be Strong, Too

I have searched the depths of myself to find out what problems could have brought me to such a seemingly uncontrollable state: I found out that I was being way too giving and caring of a guy to ever get an intimate girlfriend. I found out that my relationship with my mother dictated the way I treated the girls I was interested in. I found out that I had been brought up and convinced of a woman's philosophies because of a divorce situation and therefore had very little concept of meeting my needs. Problems I already knew about myself were just emphasized. Learning these things and changing them has already helped me have healthier relationships with women.

So now that you know what I know, you should see why making a strong effort to verbally communicate is important. I guess I had to be as strong as I am to get in and out of such a situation, but I know that many people would probably have been a lot more messed up than I was. I know that I will probably always be a fairly dramatic person, so maybe I'll never fit in enough with today's inexpressive and uncaring society to have a relationship of my quality. I wish I didn't feel as if I were being forced to be uncaring, but I guess that's what survival is all about.

Liberated women, be careful with the power that you are playing with. Do not try to control men; just let them change. Just as many girls need help, so do guys. Neither of us can make it alone.

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The Reader's Voice

Truth About Oil

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am writing this due to the response made by John Schmidt (Daily Nexus, The Reader's Voice, March 1) to the editorial (Daily Nexus, "Good Riddance," Feb. 26) in which he argues oil rigs can be viewed as a good thing. I would like to argue the points made in his response.



First of all, exclaiming that our nation is at the mercy of foreign oil is a bit extreme. It is true that our modern economy has become dependent on oil as a source of energy. However, Middle Eastern countries are not the only suppliers of oil. Besides the United States (Alaska) being a major oil producer, there are many other stable countries we buy oil from, including Mexico, Great Britain and several South American countries.

Many people are unaware of the amount of oil being pumped out of the Santa Barbara Channel. If you were to take all the oil that has been pumped and yet to be pumped, there would be enough to run the country for a day. That hardly sounds like enough to lower gasoline prices and spur economic growth.

It is a popular mistake for people to claim oil companies are responsible and cooperative with environ-

mental groups. Oil companies have great advertising agencies covering their destructive nature. If you are wondering how they are not responsible and would like to know who is, get up and walk to the closest mirror. Take a good hard look and blame yourself.

Through different loopholes in the laws and lax regulation, the oil industry is able to deduct any cleanup operation or fines assessed by accidental spillage. That makes you, a taxpayer, responsible for their mistakes.

I loved the argument that the oil rigs contribute to

marine ecology. This small contribution does not even compare to all the destruction and harm the oil industry has caused to marine ecology. It was not too long ago when a terrible oil spill occurred off the coast of Alaska. The oil from that spill killed marine birds, mammals, fish and microscopic organisms by the thousands. The area will never fully recover.

Who is to judge the price one pays for spoiling beauty? Everyone has heard the famous quote "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder," and if you greatly value the beauty of a pristine coast, then the sight of oil rigs is a huge price one has to pay.

To all those who find concrete beautiful, move to L.A. or some other big city—the beauty will surround you.

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RANCH

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 sell off their portion of the ranch.
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bobcats, bears, mountain lions and coyotes.
 The property also includes the site of an ancient Chumash village, native and introduced grasses, and oak-gray pine woodlands.
 In its quest to acquire the needed money, the Land Trust has also made a proposal to the Wildlife Conservation Board for a

grant, according to Carla Frisk, administrative assistant to 18th District state Sen. Jack O'Connell (D-Carpinteria).
 "The key here is to purchase the 800 acres. We as a community can restore that to the University instead of breaking it up. It's better to have it in one large unit with the same management," she said.

DOGS

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 brought dramatic economic benefits to the study's participants. The study found that they spent 68 percent less on hired assistants than they did before the presence of the service dogs.
 The dogs could take on tasks the disabled might otherwise need human assistants to perform, such as picking up items, turning off lights and opening and closing doors, Blasovich said.

Several local disabled persons who did not take part in the survey attested to the finding that dogs could make their lives easier.
 Richard Viles, a Santa Barbara writer and canine

consultant, has been wheelchair-mobile since he broke his neck in a 1965 motorcycle accident. Viles said a service dog named Happy he had from 1982 to 1993 helped him get involved with other people.
 "She opened up communication, and I met many people through her. I made many good friends," he said. "They play the role as social ice-breaker. When you're in a wheelchair, people have a tendency to avoid you. But when you have a dog, they want to know more about it. ... I've been stopped by many people and as a result, I've made a lot of friends."

Luz Maria Ayala, of Santa Barbara's Independent Living Resources Center, requires a wheelchair and has a service dog

named Chiquita.
 "Before, I used to be really suicidal," she said. "And now that I have this, I have somebody who loves me and needs me. I have a reason to live now. We go everywhere together. We do everything together. My dog is my life."
 Diane Glenn, director of the university's Disabled Students Program, said no students on this campus are currently aided by service dogs, although past students have been helped by the canines.
 Blasovich hopes his findings can help disabled persons in the future.
 "I hope that the information in this study becomes useful and ultimately benefits these people with severe disabilities," he said.

COUNCIL

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 in the constitution, but we haven't done it," he said.
 The council also passed a measure that would increase the amount students contribute to A.S. Program Board by 70 cents, to bring their total fee to \$3.50 per quarter.

Bill author and Off-Campus Rep Tom Beers said Program Board could use the money toward long-term projects such as constructing a new lighting system and UCen stage.
 Another ballot measure would allow students to vote to increase the amount they contribute to the systemwide advocacy

group UC Student Association from 35 to 40 cents per quarter.
 Bill author and Rep-at-Large Nicole Meyer-Morse said UCSA's efforts to lower student fees made up for the increase.
 "One of their main things is a 15 percent fee rollback," she said. "They take a stance that represents the students."

RULING

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 clarifies the issues before the court, withdraws a cause of action the parties agree is not legally proper and adds allegations ...

which are essential to a proper disposition of defendants' claims concerning the statute of limitations," he stated March 13.
 The case will next go to a progress hearing in the next several weeks, followed by depositions, according to Fizzolio.

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Gauchos Upset UCLA at Pauly in Four Sets

■ #5 UCSB Becomes the First Team Since 1988 to Sweep the #2 Bruins in MPSF Play

By Jenny Kok
Staff Writer

WESTWOOD — The improbable dream of beating the #2 UCLA Bruins at Pauly Pavilion became a reality last night for the #5 UCSB men's volleyball team as they handed the Bruins their first home loss in 43 matches, 13-15, 15-8, 15-8, 15-5.

"That was fun," UCSB Head Coach Ken Preston commented. "That was a really good match for us. Our outsides were outstanding. Jason Crone and Morgan Chapman were passing nails. [Todd] Rogers was incredible. But I think the key to the match was our serving. We served really tough and that put them into some passing trouble.

"It's not too often I get to talk like this," he added. "I am very proud of the team. They stayed focused and played hard. This is a really good sign."

The Gauchos (12-7 overall, 10-5 MPSF) got off to a slow start in game one, dropping five straight points. UCLA setter Stein Metzger seemed to intimidate Santa Barbara's all-around game with his sizzling jump serve, but Metzger and his teammates received a rude awakening. Down 7-2, the Gauchos fought back to within one point and never trailed the Bruins by more than two points for the rest

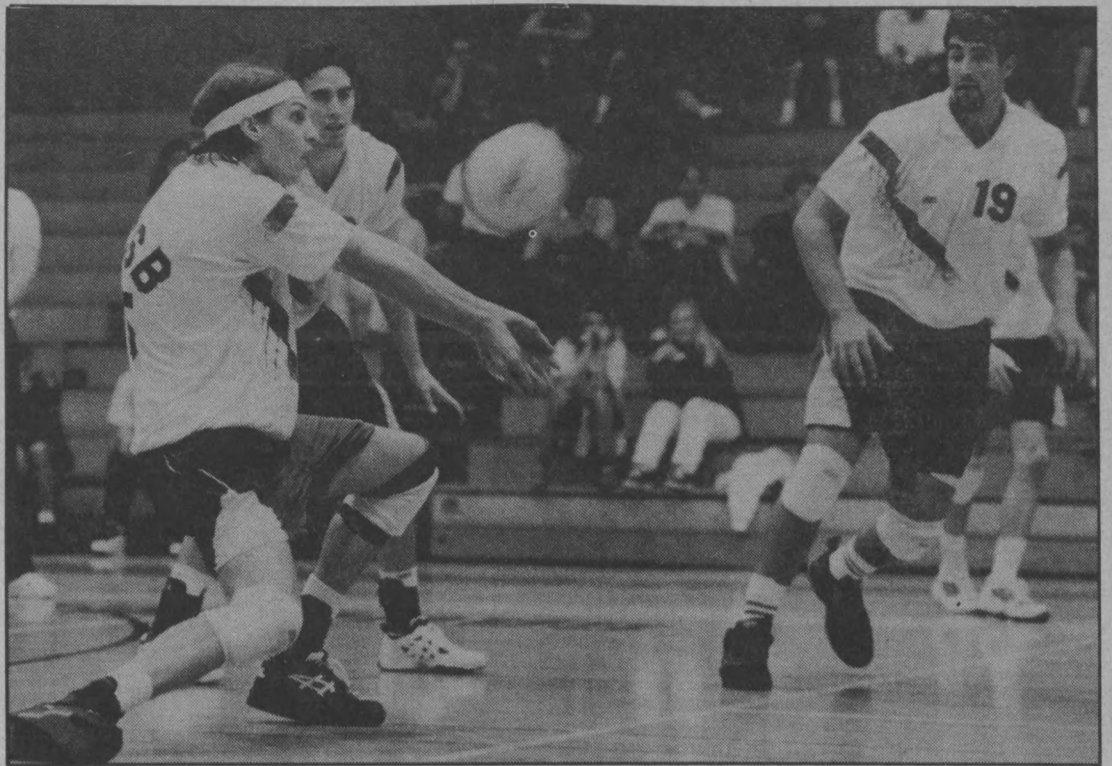
of the game. Despite UCSB's efforts, the Bruins (17-4, 12-3) pulled it out with their dominating offense.

The tables turned in game two as the Gauchos jumped out to an 8-2 lead. This time it was UCLA that made the comeback as they narrowed the margin to 10-8, but Santa Barbara quickly responded as it scored four straight points and finished off the game two sideouts later.

"We came in a little nervous, but we got past it and really got things going," Rogers said. "We stayed relaxed. Our passing got better, our hitters got more confident and stayed relaxed. I think that was the key for us."

The Gauchos had nerves of steel after taking game two and took possession of the court from that point on. Strong offense and virtually flawless defense gave UCSB an easy win in game three. The Bruins just couldn't get their offense going as they hit at a miserable .143 versus Santa Barbara's .354.

By game four, no matter what UCLA tried to do, UCSB responded. Frustration was written all over the faces of junior outside hitter Paul Nihipali and Metzger, as every attempt at a comeback was stopped short by a brilliant play from the Gauchos. After Nihipali was solo blocked by Rogers and a stunned Metzger watched as Ro-



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BRING OUT THE BROOMS!: The #5 UCSB volleyball team not only swept the #2 Bruins last night but also handed UCLA their first home loss in 43 matches, 13-15, 15-8, 15-8, 15-5.

gers turned out of setting position to pound out his fourth kill of the match right over the Bruin setter's head, there was no stopping the Gauchos.

"I think we might have caught them when a couple of their key players were having off nights," Preston explained. "We took advantage of their weaknesses and stayed relaxed and focused."

The Gauchos held the Bruins to a .227 hitting percentage on the match while powering out a .378 themselves. They out-blocked UCLA 16-13 and out-dug them 78-56.

"We knew today was going to be a big game," Crone said. "Our

serving was key. We got them out of their passing rhythm. Because they weren't passing well, we knew where the ball was going and were able to block them pretty well. The serving also helped our defense and our ball control."

Junior outside hitter Donny Harris headed up the Gaucho attack as he pounded out 29 kills at .350. Chapman added 21 kills at .529 and made 17 digs. Crone hammered 17 kills of his own at .484 while making 13 digs. Junior middle blocker Robert Treahy pounded out 15 kills at .355 and led the block with eight block assists.

The leader out on the court was clearly Rogers. The senior could do no wrong as he set a near-perfect match, earning him 81 assists while leading the defense with 20 digs and making five blocks.

"I had fun out there. I think we all did," Rogers said. "That's the key for us for the rest of the season. We need to stay focused on what we are doing and not worry about winning and losing records. Our focus needs to be on us as we enter playoffs. That's why we were able to win tonight."

Women's Water Polo Set to Face #1 Bruins

By Tiana Cassity
Reporter

The last few weeks have been packed for the #11 UCSB women's water polo team as it traveled to Palo Alto to compete in the Stanford Tournament March 8-10 and finished up the month at the UC Davis Tournament last weekend.

The Stanford Tournament marked the start of the hectic three-week schedule for the Gauchos, and proved to be somewhat of a disappointment. UCSB Head Coach Joe O'Brien indicated that the time off given for Dead Week and finals may have contributed to the team's less-than-desirable scores.

In the tournament, Santa Barbara (9-16 overall) first fell to UC Berkeley (8-7), a matchup followed by defeats to both the UCLA Bruins (12-2) and the Cardinals (6-5). The

weekend did have an upside, however, when UCSB claimed victory over UC Davis in an 8-6 win.

Junior two-meter hole set/utility Keri Santos led the Gauchos in scoring, contributing six goals in the tourney, followed by three goals scored by senior driver Calla Allison and two by junior two-meter hole set Suzanne Eskilson.

Santa Barbara concluded the month on a much better note when it competed in the UC Davis Tournament, winning two of five games. After three tough losses to Stanford, 6-3, UC Berkeley, 9-5, and Davis, 6-3, UCSB was able to come back and win two games decisively over the University of the Pacific and UC Irvine, 13-3 and 8-1, respectively.

"Santa Barbara has become a legitimate team," O'Brien said. "Other schools are now viewing UCSB as an opponent worth competing against, and

are talking about our team seriously."

"Competing schools used to focus mainly on Keri [Santos] and Calla [Allison]," O'Brien added. "Now they look more at the team as a whole. All of our players are really improving."

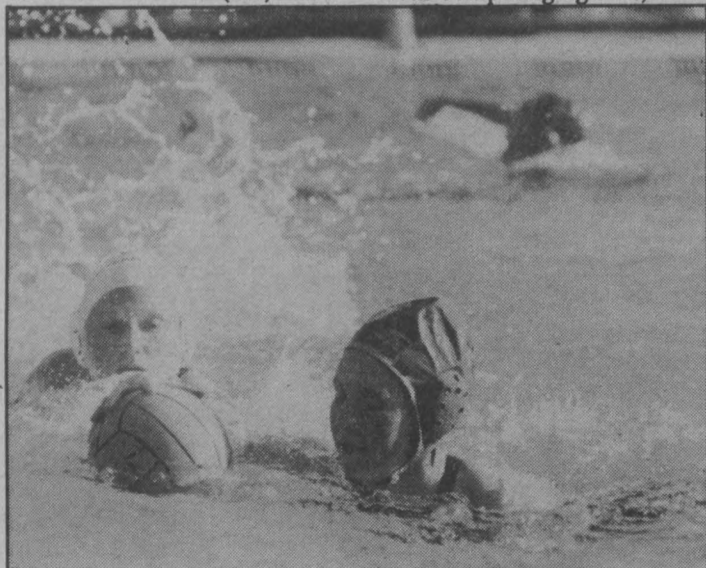
Both Santos and Allison have proven to be invaluable to the team's successes, and are going to be able to display their talent in Montreal this June as they have been selected to play on the national team.

Additional players such as Eskilson, freshman driver Wendy Jensen and sophomore utility player Carly Jones have been improving and stepping up their games as of late as well.

Santa Barbara is going to have to rely on the entire team playing and communicating well with each other this Saturday, as they take on the UCLA Bruins at Campus Pool at noon.

The Bruins, strong offensively as well as defensively, are currently ranked #1 in the country and are going to prove to be a challenge for UCSB — one the Gauchos are both mentally and physically ready to meet, according to the players and O'Brien.

"We are definitely ready for the game on Saturday," Allison said. "We have already played two games against UCLA, and even though we were really strong in the first game, we didn't play as well as we could have in the second. I think we are going to be really fired up for this game and we are going to give it everything we've got."



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DEFENSE!: Junior driver Keri Santos (above, left) currently leads the UCSB squad with 36 goals on the season.

Track Update

By Brian Arbour
Reporter

After competing in the Cal State Fullerton Invitational and the Northridge Invitational, the UCSB men's and women's track and field teams traveled to San Luis Obispo to face Cal Poly, Brigham Young University and Kent State on March 30.

Despite some good performances by the Gauchos, the squad unfortunately fell to all three opponents. UCSB was dealt another blow when throws coach Brian Blutreich left the team to coach at the University of North Carolina.

It's not likely that Santa Barbara will get a new throws coach for the remainder of the season, but UCSB Assistant Coach Gus Harper has tried to provide aid as the throws manager.

"They're a strong group and they're still dedicated," Harper said. "They all have a lot of character."

"That was the best thing for him to do," junior thrower Catherine Cavalletto added. "He couldn't pass it up. It's a great opportunity for him."

Against Cal Poly, the men's team came up just short of being victorious over SLO as UCSB accumulated 130.5 points to their 136. BYU came out on top with 200 points, barely beating Kent State's 190.5 points.

The women — who tallied 133 total points — also placed last behind BYU (204), Kent State (159) and San Luis Obispo (148).

"It's a tough loss. It's the toughest so far this season," said UCSB Head Coach Pete Dolan. "I thought we could win. It was so close, especially on the men's side. There wasn't a big letdown in any one area. It's a frustrating loss."

This defeat didn't prevent Dolan from being optimistic about the team entering this intense part of the season.

"The Gauchos are definitely competition-ready. Many of the team have set personal bests in past months and now the critical part of the season is here. The team enters this critical time with confidence."

In the windy Northridge Invitational on March 23, Santa Barbara welcomed back the return of a much-needed long jumper on the men's side. Sophomore Oded Fellah, the only Gaucho to compete in the long jump this season, jumped for the first time this year after being out with a stress fracture in his back. Fellah's first day back was certainly a successful one — he took first in the event with his 23 $\frac{3}{4}$ " jump.

Other good performances came from sophomore Ben Flamm in the 5000-meter event and sophomore Gabriela Rodriguez in the 1500-meter event, both of whom finished first in the invitational.

UCSB Baseball

The #25 Gauchos will take their hot bats on the road to Stockton this weekend for a three game series against the University of the Pacific.