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## Deconstruction

The Military Science building is in the process of being torn down to make way for the Humanities buildings.

## Winter Quarter Issues May See New Election

### Incorrect Graduate Ballot Distribution Cited

By Colleen Valles  
Staff Writer

Measures addressed in the Winter Quarter special elections may be added to the spring ballots because irregularities within the graduate student portion may have jeopardized voter turnout.

The elections to establish a fee mechanism to comply with the *Smith v. University of California Regents* California Supreme Court ruling were invalid because they failed to attain the required 20% voter turnout.

Stephanie Holt, chair of the Campus Elections Commission, said faulty ballot distribution in the graduate departments may have prevented students from casting their votes on the issue.

Graduate Students Assn. Internal Vice President Marisela Marquez brought the questionable ballot dispersal and the lack

of sufficient ballots for graduate students to light in a letter to the Campus Elections Commission.

Ballots were printed for only 30% of the registered graduate students, although CEC guidelines do not specify ballot rationing policies, Marquez said.

"In any event, the combination of the mishandling of election materials and the rationing of ballots, we believe, yielded substantial damage to this election's voter turnout," the letter stated.

CEC advisor Naomi Johnson said graduate students traditionally have relatively high voter turnout. "They've always gotten more than a 20% turnout on their own issues," she said.

If Chancellor Barbara Uehling approves adding the Winter Quarter measures to the spring ballot, the cost will not exceed the amount allocated for

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## Golden Parachute Ripped by Senator Hart

By Duke Conover  
Staff Writer

State Senator Gary K. Hart berated the University of California Wednesday about its policy of giving bonuses to departing administrators as part of a discussion held at the Santa Barbara Central Library entitled "California Colleges in Crisis."

Hart, who has fought to reform education during his 20 years in the California Legislature, said he is opposed to the University's reported plan to

provide UCSB Chancellor Barbara Uehling with a \$179,000 "golden parachute" when she leaves the campus' top office in June.

"I've been a critic of the University providing perks to officials when they leave their jobs and I believe such practices are out of control," said Hart, who is retiring this year from his seat as Santa Barbara's 18th District Senator. "Once you leave, leave. It's not going to happen when I leave the Senate and it doesn't happen to most when they leave their jobs."

However, Hart also believes these perk packages are "minute in comparison to the billions of property tax dollars and federal research dollars lost each year."

Montecito's Westmont College President David K. Winter also made presentations and answered questions on how higher education can be improved in California.

"By 2006, the state of California will have an additional 450,000 students in college," said Winter, who estimates this

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## Suspected Computer Thief Caught

The statewide search for a suspect sought in connection with campus computer thefts here and across the state ended with the arrest of an Orange County resident earlier this month.

Twenty-four-year-old Avram Morar was arrested March 10 by California State University Fullerton police after responding to a tip that the suspect was at a coffee shop. When he spotted the police, Morar led the investigators on a foot chase before being

detained.

Following the arrest, UCPD Detective Brian Monohan was sent to Fullerton and questioned Morar, who was a suspect for a string of computer chip burglaries at UCSB that began last summer, according to Lt. Bill Bean.

In the past eight months, losses from UCSB computer thefts have totalled approximately

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## Jugglers Come to Anisq' Oyo' for 18th Annual Weekend Fest

Anisq' Oyo' Park will be transformed into a weekend-long showcase for some of the best jugglers on the West Coast as the 18th annual Isla Vista Juggling Festival kicks off on Friday.

The three-day event, sponsored by Club Juggling, provides talented individuals of various skill levels with the opportunity to share their tricks, according to club president Mark Wilson.

"It will be like a nonstop juggle-a-thon," Wilson said. "The festival is for people to have a good time and check out some good juggling."

In memory of I.V. resident juggler Patty Laney, who was raped and murdered, the festival is co-sponsored by the

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Nexus File Photo

Jugglers from across the West Coast will mix it up this weekend at Anisq' Oyo' Park during the 18th annual Isla Vista Festival of Juggling. The event commemorates the murder of I.V. resident and juggler Patty Laney.

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## Weather

Last night was hell. Not only were my sensibilities bludgeoned with Major League 2, an unfunny copy of a good movie, but I was confronted by one of the most idiotic and repulsive displays that I've seen in a long time. The "host" of the show, Matthew "in the Morning" Arnett, a D.J. of mediocre skill and moderate renown at KCQR, babbled about the "lucky" woman who won the "weenie sucking" contest earlier in the evening. Then, that wacky morning guy, told the crowd that if that woman didn't get a date by the end of the night..., well you get the picture. It's men like him that give the rest of the gender a bad name.

What a moron.

Thursday's High: 70, Low: 48  
 Outlook: Yet again, clouds and sun.  
 High tide: 1:20 pm (3.4)  
 Low tide: 6:50 am (-0.4), 6:10 pm (1.8)  
 Sunset: 6:19 pm, tomorrow's Sunrise: 5:47 am.

# HEADLINERS

## Family Declines Offer to Release Body

RIVERSIDE (AP) — Authorities have offered to release the body of a woman who died last month as several of her emergency room attendants fainted. But the woman's family rejected the body and conditions placed on it, their attorney said Wednesday.

Riverside County officials told the family of Gloria Ramirez they could have her body for burial as long as it's not removed from its sealed casket, according to spokesman Tom DeSantis.

"The conditions they're putting on the release of the body are totally unacceptable," said Newport Beach attorney Ron Schwartz.

"There's been no evidence in this whole investigation indicating the body is a risk. If it were a risk, they would have had to quarantine the other victims," Schwartz said.



Six people — nurses, doctors and technicians — were treated after losing consciousness during the Feb. 19 incident at Riverside General Hospital. Ramirez died of heart failure. The staffers have been released from hospitals, although one doctor had to remain for three weeks with breathing trouble.

Ramirez, a 31-year-old mother of two who had been diagnosed with cancer, arrived in an ambulance with breathing problems. Some of the emergency room staff, before passing out, remarked

of ammonia-like fumes that seemed to come from her body. Others said they didn't smell anything.

Authorities hoped test results from Ramirez's fluids and tissues would shed some light on the source of the mystery illness, but have given no firm indication of when the tests will be complete.

The latest county statement, released Tuesday evening, said coroner's officials hope to conclude the investigation within about 30 days.

"Our longstanding goal has been to accommodate

the Ramirez family's wishes by releasing the body as quickly as possible," said Coroner Scotty Hill.

Her body has been sealed in an airtight casket since a Feb. 25 autopsy marked by elaborate safety precautions.

The county said the family, if it wants an independent autopsy, will have to observe the same precautions, which included spacesuit protection and separate air supplies for everyone involved.

"It's an absurdity," said Schwartz. The family, sad and frustrated at the complications, feels the problem came from the hospital, not Ramirez, he said. He believes the body should be released without conditions.

"We don't even know if that's really the body in that casket," said Schwartz.

## Perks Still Play Part in '94 Campaigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — The gruff-looking logger approaches Tim Moyer with a simple question: "I hear you're fixing to run for Congress."

Moyer's answer in his campaign ad, equally simple, is echoing elsewhere as 1994 congressional elections take shape: "No — I'm running to fix Congress."

Unlike two years ago, there is no House bank scandal to tie around the necks of incumbent members of Congress. But perks and privilege are still major targets — not only of challengers but also of incumbents trying to shake free of the public's view of Congress as a bunch of elitists spoiled by free parking, free meals, fat pensions and gifts galore from lobbyists.

"There was an early school of thought that without the check bouncing and the post office and other scandals that maybe



some of the anger would dissipate," said Republican pollster Glen Bolger. "But we have not seen any lessening of the disappointment people feel with Congress."

Democratic pollster Celine Lake couldn't agree more.

In a recent national poll, her firm found that 59% of respondents believed special interests and lobbyists control Washington — up from 37% three years ago.

Moyer's ad mixing concern for the region's loggers with a pledge to clean up Congress is an early

salvo in his bid to unseat Democratic Rep. Jolene Unsoeld.

Among dozens of other challengers echoing the anti-Congress, anti-perks message is Walter Jones Jr. in North Carolina, son of the late, longtime Democratic Rep. Walter Jones. Jones Jr. is running as a Republican against Democratic Rep. Martin Lancaster, whose five House bank overdrafts contributed to his closest reelection race two years ago.

While less of a direct issue in campaigns this

year, the House bank scandal, which helped topple 13 House members and nudge 13 more into retirement two years ago, still reverberates when the subject of perks and privilege comes up.

Just this month, the House voted 315-110 in favor of legislation that significantly curtails the gifts, travel and entertainment lawmakers can accept from lobbyists, as well as broadening disclosure requirements so that contacts between lawmakers and lobbyists will be easier to track.

The Senate had already passed its version of lobbying reform, and debate on gift restrictions is pending.

Still, campaign consultants predict perks and privileges will carry major weight only in a modest percentage of races by fall, in part because of the early warnings incumbents have had to shore up their standing on reform issues.

## Diplomatic Trade Skirmishes Continue

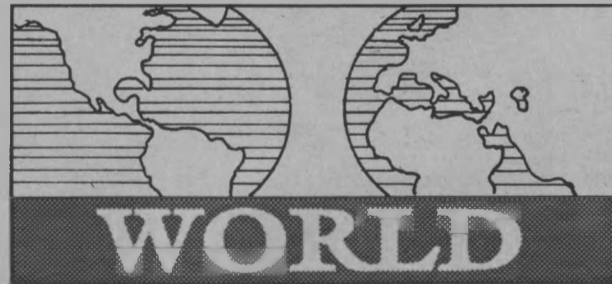
TOKYO (AP) — The American weaponry of trade war rhetoric has been deployed in countless diplomatic skirmishes with Japan. Sometimes the United States wins, sometimes it loses. Often, the battle ends in a draw.

Trade tussles between Tokyo and Washington have outlasted several generations of negotiators.

But for Japan, this fracas is different.

By demanding concrete changes in the way Japan's companies do business, the way its antitrust laws are enforced and in how its bureaucrats run the economy, Washington is forcing Tokyo to deal faster with crucial reforms it has been unable or unwilling to tackle on its own.

"Regulations have reached a critical mass," says Yukio Okamoto, a



former senior Foreign Ministry official. "Deregulation is on Japan's own agenda. ... But pressure from the United States has accelerated the pace of change."

The package of market-opening measures Tokyo announced Tuesday, seeking to break a six-week stalemate in trade talks, appears richer in rhetoric than in radical changes.

New committees outnumbered commitments, and numerous difficult deci-

sions were put off until June.

The government's pledge to study statistics on foreign auto sales and government procurement contracts went only halfway toward meeting U.S. demands for measurable progress in trimming Japan's \$59 billion trade surplus — the core of the dispute in the latest round of trade talks.

American officials called the Japanese plan a "half-finished work," say-

ing it was not enough to restart the trade talks that fell apart during President Clinton's February summit with Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa.

But Hosokawa's plan does go further than any past attempts to break through the bureaucratic roadblocks that have made doing business in Japan difficult for foreign firms.

Old-boy networks, arbitrary antitrust enforcement and a mesh of government regulations made the Japanese market what U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor called a sanctuary from outside competition.

Plans to weed out the thicket of some 11,000 regulations have been batted around for years.

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the winter elections, Holt said.

"The chancellor pledged \$10,000, and we only used about \$7,000," she said. "We're not going over the \$3,000 left."

Developing a fee mechanism within the confines of the *Smith v. Regents* ruling has been a long-range project for student government groups,

who have agreed to allow the student population to decide if a collection mechanism should be implemented, Marquez said.

"This issue is really a surviving *Smith v. Regents* issue," she said. "The reason we wanted to take it back out to the students is because we wanted the impact to be felt."

The *Smith v. Regents* ballot measure was an opportunity for students to avoid being victimized by

the court ruling, Marquez added.

"It was never about winning this fee mechanism, it was about surviving *Smith v. Regents*," she said. "After all this, I think the measure might lose."

An open meeting will be held in UCen Room 2 Monday to address how and when graduate students will vote on the issues concerning publicity for the ballot measure and changing CEC guidelines to prevent future misdeeds, Johnson said.

## DEBATE

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will increase higher education's need for state funds by 52%, from \$5.8 to \$8.8 billion. "There is no way the state can make that allocation for higher education. ... We just can't keep building more UC campuses to accommodate [half a million] more students in 15 years."

Winter, who has been Westmont's president for 18 years, believes it is time for the state to begin looking more to private institutions such as his college.

Independent schools generate 20% of the state's baccalaureate degrees, one-third of the master's degrees and 50% of the doctorates and professional degrees, but less than 2% of funds needed by students in private colleges comes from the state, he said.

"It's quite a bargain for the state to have indepen-

dent schools around," Winter said.

UC employee Anne Macclachlan expressed her views about the sacrifices that are made by staff members and how this situation seems to be overlooked in discussions about the state of higher education. "People talk about faculty and students, but what about the staff who really run the institutions?" she asked.

"Students might say 'Don't tell us about sacrifices' when their fees have gone up from \$1,500 to \$4,000 in three years," Hart responded.

However, he appeared sympathetic to UC employee problems. "What you're asking for is a more rational way to handle staff concerns. But that's for the institution to handle internally," he said.

Hart, chairman of the state Senate's Education Committee, suggested higher education take a

have a juggling festival in Isla Vista," Lewis said. "Her friends fulfilled her dream after her death."

The festival of juggling in the park from noon to dusk is scheduled to include juggling volleyball, but events such as a unicycle parade can be very impromptu, Lewis said.

"One of the good things

more critical look at reducing the time to get a bachelor's degree to three years and instituting a greater use of electronic technology, in both cases to help reduce the amount of time needed to earn a degree.

In 1968 it took 7.7 years to attain a Ph.D., and 20 years later it took 8.8 years, Hart said. If the UC can't get the time to earn a degree down to a more workable number, the system will continue to stay bottlenecked, he said.

Winter supported Hart and suggested that what is really needed is a shift away from traditional research institutions such as the UC campuses.

"There is prestige with research, but it's time to shift the emphasis to undergraduate teaching," said Winter, who had eight years experience with a research institution teaching at the University of Michigan. "But I think education is more than lectures."

about the festival is that it doesn't have the same structure as some other juggling events," he said.

A presentation with performances by professional jugglers and a film produced by I.V. resident Jon Zuber are also scheduled for Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in I.V. Theater.

—Greg Thomsen

## BALLS

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Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center. SB City College student Richard Lewis, who is a semiprofessional juggler, said that proceeds from T-shirt and ticket sales will go to the center.

"Her ambition was to

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# OPINION

"Money won't buy happiness, but it will pay the salaries of a large research staff to study the problem."

—Bill Vaughan

# Time Lost, Gained

Scott McPherson



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## Too Legit to Quit

Whatever Happened to Handing Out a Nice Gold Watch?

### Editorial

So the powers that be in the University of California are thinking about giving Barbara Uehling a send-off package of \$179,000. Be honest with yourself — is it really worth it to pay her not to be chancellor at UCSB? The *Santa Barbara News-Press* management certainly thinks that's the case. Tuesday's editorial argued that Uehling's possible windfall represents good business thinking on the part of the UC elite.

How much would it take to pay them to quit their jobs?

Faced with the infallible reasoning that says quality executives won't take a job unless quitting it is going to put money in their pockets, we at the Daily Nexus Editorial Board find that we have to agree. We just hope that Uehling spends her money wisely if she gets it. We've got some suggestions:

- Grant the money for an endowed chair in Hair Care Studies
- Offer \$179,000 prize to winner of Storke Plaza Hot Pudding Wrestling contest
- Viva Las Vegas!
- Fund the construction of the six-story PubCen
- Buy a getaway bus for all those administrators leaving town after June
- Buy those ugly hanging lamps outside the UCen as souvenirs of UCSB
- Hire her own construction crew to follow her wherever she goes
- Restock the Centennial House wine cellar
- Finance Off-Broadway musical "The Willy Chamberlin Follies"
- Purchase "hot" computer chips for campus office use

- Remodel her kitchen
- Contribute share of money to each 1994 California gubernatorial candidate, pick up appointment to UC Board of Regents from winner
- Pay to have new elevators installed throughout campus
- Buy a title of English peerage — Duchess Uehling!
- Adopt-a-Highway
- Hire "artist" Christo to wrap shore of lagoon in pink plastic
- Buy a real "golden parachute"
- Buy rotating stage to take advantage of Campbell Hall's circular shape, install animatronic singing rodents to supplement lecture series "Academia Sings"
- Hire private investigator to find long-lost Mr. Uehling
- 10,000 pairs of sunglasses!
- Give money to campus newspaper for construction of "NexCen"
- Pay to have shag carpeting installed in Storke Plaza
- Commission giant sculpture "Eternal Cigar" next to Eternal Flame
- Spring for one more Ice Cream Social
- Hire Rolling Stones to play Extravaganza
- Buy the Elephant Man's bones
- Pay UC fees, buy all required textbooks, pay rent in Isla Vista for about five quarters
- Go to Disneyland
- Buy Platform Holly for conversion to offshore casino
- 3,580 kegs of Bud on D.P.
- Buy exclusive rights to the word "perk"
- Invest whole wad into Whitewater Development, Little Rock, Ark.

I took a walk out on the bluffs of Ellwood last week, braving the rain and the wind to enjoy a little outdoor time during Spring Break. I've been taking trips out there long before I moved to Ellwood and have always appreciated the beauty of the eucalyptus grove. While the area was recently in jeopardy of being paved over and built into the sort of low-end home neighborhood that always looks kind of tacky, the grove remains now as it has for years: a beautiful nature space.

But, much to my dismay, during my vacation walk, I found that there had been an important change to the area since I visited a month or two before: A huge tree in the grove, one that for years had held up one of the greatest rope swings in the history of the world, lay in a crumpled heap on the ground. I had clearly cut about 50 feet up, where the rope swing — as well as an excellent tree house that only a true thrill seeker would attempt to reach — had been. The base of the tree remained standing, but the tree house, the rope swing and the rest of the tree were history.

I still remember the first time I visited the rope swing — a freshman out for a bike ride with some dorm buddies decided to climb up to the swing-launching platform on a nearby tree. It was scary enough, but the ride on the rope itself was the most terrifying and exhilarating thing any sober person could voluntarily subject himself to. It sent you flying with the greatest of ease — almost — but not quite — into the branches of a group of trees at the other end of the swinging lane. What a thrill!

But the fear really kicked in when, on a double-dog dare, I tried to climb up to the tree house itself. The 2x4 rungs nailed into the trunk of the tree felt like they would spring loose at a second and send me falling to a grisly death. Other steps had gone entirely, presumably having already sent a few people to grisly deaths. Being no fool, I chickened out faster than you can say "Timber!" and got my butt down from that tree.

But, since I really was a fool, I went back to the tree house months later and climbed all the way up that sucker without once dying terribly. I just felt like I had to; I didn't want to get away from the tree knowing that I would never climb it. Maybe it was a testosterone thing, maybe it was humanity's vain attempt to conquer nature taking control of my psyche, whatever — I just know that neither the tree nor I would be around forever, and I wanted to have climbed it before one of us moved on from the area. And as I sat up there, watching the 1990 Palmdale Cave fire from the top of the tree, I felt like I had conquered the world. Someday, the tree would be gone, but I had scaled dangerous heights while it still stood and lived to tell the tale.

Sure enough, as the years went by the remaining steps to the tree house were gone, and what had been a perilous climb to the top became totally impossible. The old, four-inch-diameter rope was cut down at one point, but it was replaced by another rope to swing on. The trees that held the rope high off the ground were knocked over last year during a particularly powerful storm, rendering the swing a short-lived one. A second high-level launching pad was constructed on another nearby tree last summer, and for a while the rope swing was as terrifying as ever. But now, with one swing gone, there is no rope swing at all.

I stood there that morning, looking at the smashed tree house that had once been an elusive goal, at the three wooden boards that had been a treacherous perch about 30 feet above the tree house, and at the rope fragments scattered around. Everything that had once inspired me to death-defying heights was now just clutter on the ground. It was a sad summer.

I also thought about all the other things I have enjoyed during my UCSB years that have since gone the way of that tree. The Pub, which has since been ousted from its UCen home, was one of my favorite things about UCSB; it was the best place yet to hoist a Lowie Dark and chow down free happy hour nachos. It was a mellow area to study during the afternoon, a place to meet professors at their "office" hours, and a venue for bands and comedy shows. Of course, it was a great place to get smashed on campus. But alas, in the name of progress, The Pub was destroyed.

Likewise, the grassy hill behind the UCen has been bulldozed, a casualty of the same UCen expansion. The hill has always been a nice place to sit in the sun between classes, watch the scum float on the surface of the lagoon. Other spaces on campus, such as the lovely field near the Chen Building, which is now the site of the soon-to-be-completed physics building, are only pleasant memories. The campus has changed a lot in the last five years, and certainly not all for the better.

The radical changes to the UCSB area are not limited to the campus — Isla Vista has been permanently altered in many ways as well. So many things that were part of my I.V. fun, from noisy Halloween weekends to a little Thai food place near 'isq' Oyo' Park, have been done away with. Even things I don't really like but was used to — like the Union 76 gas station and the strangeness of Estero Road (the one where the only vehicles were all the cars) — are now just part of Isla Vista's weird past. Things just seem to disappear overnight around here.

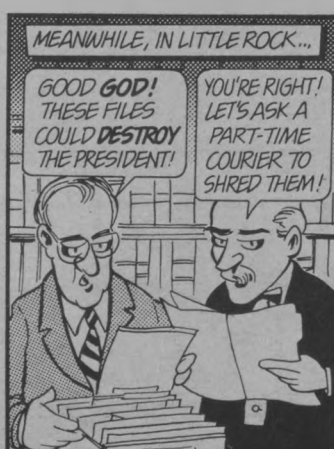
But I think it's almost good to see a favorite tree get knocked over once in a while, or watch an average restaurant with a personality get leveled to make way for a Burger King — things that we'd better appreciate while they're still here. Nothing lasts forever, so we have to love the things we have while we have them.

I didn't particularly like someone taking away my ability to go swinging like a maniac through eucalyptus trees, but I walked away from the gnarled remains with a new appreciation for the rest of the bluffs area. Someday the beautiful, untouchably unspoiled area will be gone as well, paved over to create a community of high-priced houses that will probably just look tacky. But in the meantime, I can enjoy it for what it is.

The rope swing and tree house may be gone, but their spirit lives on. What a tree — I will miss it, and I'm damn glad I climbed it when I had the chance. Carpe diem indeed.  
Scott McPherson is a Nexus columnist.

## Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



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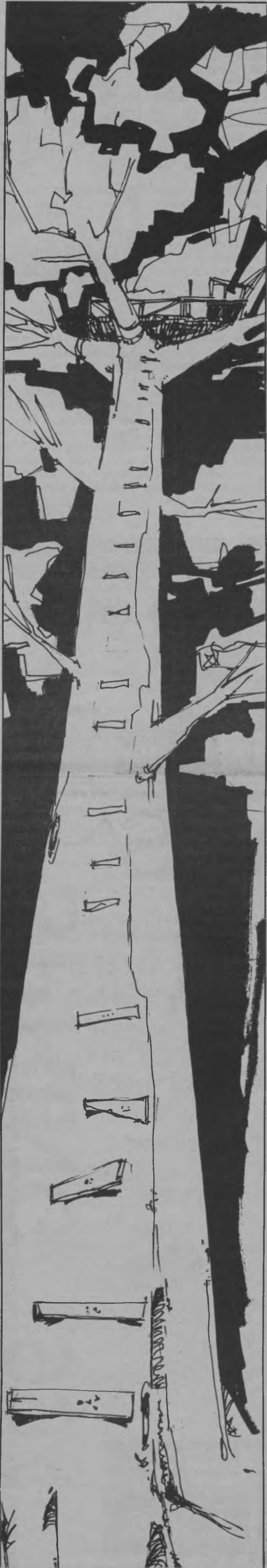
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The Reader's Voice

Disgusted at Duke

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Duke Conover's column "Another Wednesday Night" (Daily Nexus, March 4) was the most incredibly ignorant piece of crap I have seen written this year. I respect your right to criticize Associated Students Leg Council — every student should complain until they are represented appropriately, that is why Leg Council exists. But this column was grounded in complete ignorance and stupidity.

Conover's references to A.S. Vice President Aaron Jones were inexcusable. Conover stated that Jones "ranted, raved and bullied Leg Council" into passing a hotly debated bill by saying, "Realize your power. Don't let anybody tell any of you what you can and cannot do." Conover calls this "uninspiring rhetoric."

What Conover failed to write in his article were the comments of three previous speakers. Derek Cole (off-campus rep) "ranted, raved and bullied Leg Council," calling the bill "horrible," and said that Leg Council had "no right to vote on this bill." A.S. Executive Director Tamara Scott "ranted, raved and bullied Leg Council," saying that we had no place voting to approve this bill. Finally, External Vice President Mark Milstein "ranted, raved and bullied Leg Council," saying that he would break his own job description and refuse to attend any further Leg Council meetings if we passed the bill as written! Yet, Mr. Conover limited his opinion piece to the comments of Mr. Jones. Why?

Aaron Jones has dedicated his stay at UCSB to serving the students and fighting for their rights. He has fought against police brutality in Isla Vista, he has fought against fee hikes, lobbied for more funding for higher education, increased financial aid, affordability and access for all. What have you done, Mr. Conover? Jones is not satisfied with asking politely for gifts from the administration. Rather, he demands that the administration give us what we pay for. He fights on the grassroots level as well as within the student government structure, as every effective representative must do in order to represent the students. *Jones' connection with Concerned Students is precisely why he is in touch with the students.* What do you do, Mr. Conover? Who is really the one who is out of touch with the students?

The bill that Mr. Conover so clumsily tried to discredit as "worthless" is in reality a students' rights bill. The bill demands that A.S. support an investigation into allegations that a high-ranking administrator released grades to a third party — breaking federal law, a violation which in theory could result in the loss of federal funding for UCSB. The Buckley Amendment (the aforementioned federal law) was enacted specifically to protect students from precisely the type of privacy violation that is occurring on this campus. Again I ask why would you want to criticize this bill, Mr. Conover? This may be the only bill passed all year that is relevant to students!

Could it be that Mr. Conover and other Nexus employees are so intimately linked to the corruption hovering over the Nexus that they will do anything and everything to cover their asses? Could it be some personal grudge that one person holds against Jones? Let's return to that later — *I'm not done criticizing my campus paper.*

Conover's comments on Concerned Students were misguided at best. Do any of you even know what Concerned Students is? It is a gathering of any and all students who are concerned with the state of our university. On that ground, every student on this campus should be a Concerned Student and every last fucking one of our student representatives better be a Concerned Student! Any representative who is not a member is a résumé builder and a sellout and should be recalled. Concerned Students has funding because some students care enough to fight this elitist university with everything they have. Aaron Jones is one of those people ... and to attack anyone for being a Concerned Student is mystifying. There may be no more concerned student on this campus than Mr. Jones. But alas, where does that leave you, Mr. Conover?

Next, what the fuck were you all thinking when you printed that picture below Duke's opinion? First of all, as almost everybody in this university knows, Aaron Jones does not look anything like the image that was allowed to go to print. The gross misrepresentation that was printed was reminiscent of racist characterizations of Blacks in the antebellum South. Secondly, the selection of the four Leg Council members that Mr. Jones is supposedly "controlling" is completely random. Despite the fact that Jones had nothing to do with the writing of the bill, the particular Leg Council members that were represented in the picture show how uninformed this crack team of "journalists" are. One of the representatives abstained from voting, one voted against the bill and another resigned in the fourth week of the quarter!!! Only one of the four members supposedly "bullied" into voting for the bill by Mr. Jones was represented in the illustration. (That individual was a co-author and would have voted for the bill even if Jones had never shown up.) But again, we return to the question ... why? Why would a picture that seriously damages the reputation of an African-American male, a Chicano, a Chicana and two women be allowed to go to the press without a second thought?

Furthermore, Mr. Duke (and various other "cronies"), I am a co-author of the aforementioned bill and I am also a white male ... why is it that I was not slandered and misrepresented in this picture? Would slamming a white male on the pages of the campus paper of a white male-dominated campus defeat your "little boys' club" front? Would it hurt your credibility? Are you saying it is OK to slander any student leader on this campus except white males? Go to hell!!! And to think you had the gall to talk about "corruption" and "cronism" in A.S.!!!

Personally, I think you all are covering your asses (which would explain your wanting to dismiss issues that are so critical to students' rights as "worthless causes that do nothing but cause trouble") ... and you better!

As for "uninspiring rhetoric": Mr. Jones' comments were actually the most inspiring words I've heard this year. It seems to me that this particular comment is indicative of the problem with America today. People like you dismiss real problems as "worthless causes," while people like Jones talk about empowering the people of tomorrow. Your way is easy, Mr. Conover. What is difficult is taking a stand, fighting for what is right and realizing that we are the people and we do have the power to change our society. I have news for you, Mr. Conover (and cronies), we are gonna go on being Concerned Students (and after that Concerned Citizens) and we are going to change this society for the better, despite you!

KRISTOPHER KOHLER  
Rep-at-Large

Mobil Lite

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am writing in response to the article about the Mobil oil spill (Daily Nexus, "Mobil Oil Continues Costly Excavation of Ellwood Spill," March 29). One thing that really amazed me was how Curt Batson, manager of the county Environmental Health Division, was quoted as saying, "It is not crude oil, a light oil — as such there are specific exemptions in state law, so it's not considered hazardous waste."

So I take it that some state legislators and bureaucrats seem to feel that light oil is *not* hazardous waste. Well, if that's the case, I suppose they wouldn't mind having light oil dumped in their backyard, or better yet, if any of them own beachfront property, I'm sure they wouldn't mind if some washed up on their shore. I also believe that light oil does not have environmental side effects. I even believe that it is completely safe to smoke low-tar cigarettes!

Now that we know how Mobil is performing with their current operation, let's take a look at their future plans. The proposed Clearview Project would have two 200-foot-high rigs (which would be 22 stories high, or twice the height of Francisco Torres) to drill under the "protected" state marine sanctuary. If this proposal is allowed, it would be the first time ever that oil was drilled for in the state marine sanctuary. This drilling project would last until 2025. (I'd hate to imagine what UC fees will be that year!)

At stake is the sensitive Devereaux Slough and ecological reserves, which could face the threat of toxic hydrogen sulfide gas. But I suppose if it is light hydrogen sulfide gas, then it wouldn't be considered hazardous waste! One might argue that Mobil will be removing Platform Holly in the near future in exchange for the Clearview Project. However, Platform Holly will be gone soon, regardless of whether or not the "Clearview" project commences.

I attended a Mobil Oil presentation on March 3 on campus. One member of the audience asked, "You guys [Mobil] said that you wouldn't go through with this project if there is a lack of community support. What will it take to convince you that the community does not support this?" Mobil's reply was, "The 'community' is the board of supervisors, the California Coastal Commission and the State Lands Commission." Excuse me if I'm wrong, but I thought that the "community" was the residents of the adjacent area (Isla Vista and West Campus Housing) that would be affected by said proposal.

Mobil Oil publicly said that they'll only have the Clearview Project if there is "community" support, and then turned around and decided that the "community" is a bunch of bureaucrats who don't even live in the immediate affected area. This is a show of very poor public relations rhetoric on their part to say they'll respect the wishes of the "community."



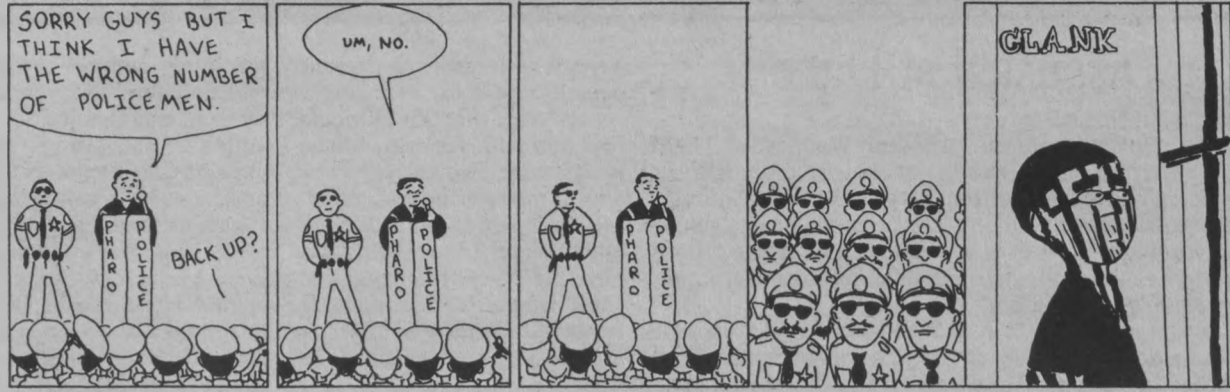
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One of the "community members" is Charles Warren, the executive officer of the State Lands Commission, who is actually enticing Mobil Oil to pursue this project. It is urgent that the members of the *real community* (that means you!) take action and challenge the Drillview project. Here is a list of phone numbers of key agencies involved in the decision process. Call up and tell them how you feel. Willy Chamberlain is the 3rd district supervisor who represents the affected area. He can be reached at 568-2192. If you live outside of Isla Vista/Goleta, contact the supervisor for your respective area. (The same board of supervisors that voted in favor of allowing Southwest Diversified to develop Ellwood Shores might also vote in favor of allowing drilling near the same area. Go figure! I bet home sales would be great!) The number of the California Coastal Commission is 641-0142. Finally, the State Lands Commission number is 685-8502. Remember, it is *your community!*

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**ANDY PHARO**



by Andre Fairon

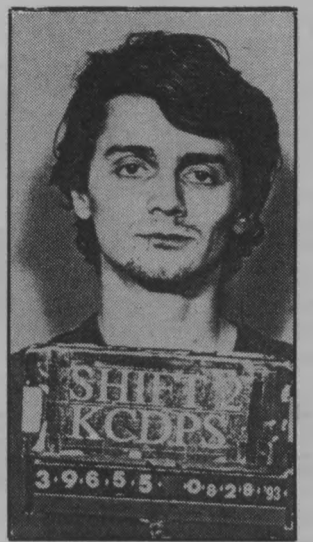
**THEFT**

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\$250,000, according to Campus Police Sgt. Mike Foster. Just under \$13,000 worth of equipment has been recovered. Similar burglaries have plagued other universities ranging from Washington to San Diego.

Morar has been cooperating with investigators and has been linked to 26 of the 27 UCSB thefts, Bean said. "Detective Monohan went down to CSUF and interviewed Morar, and was able to get enough information to file charges against him."

Although Morar is awaiting arraignment for burglaries in Orange County, Bean said the investigation is far from over, and more arrests are expected.

"There is one more outstanding suspect. At least in one case we know he worked with an accomplice and we are in the process of seeking an arrest warrant," Bean said.



**Avram Morar**

Foster said that while the arrest is a major break in the case, the campus should maintain its watchful eye and not allow its security to grow lax.

"We don't want people to let their guard down because he was caught. If Morar can do it, so can others," Foster said. "People still need to be aware and take precautions and continue on with preventative measures."

—Lisa Sato

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## Softball Squad Falls in First Game of Doubleheader, 2-1

By Jenny Kok  
Staff Writer

After an eventful doubleheader at home yesterday, one that included a 14-inning thriller, the Gaucho softball team came out with one win and one loss against San Diego State.

The excitement started early in the first game with senior Margo Melendrez winning the close call at home plate on a hit by third baseman Maria Costa. Unfortunately, that was the only scoring opportunity the team capitalized on in that game.

The Aztecs came back in game one, scoring a runner off of a single to the outfield. After managing to keep SDSU from scoring in the seventh with bases loaded and no outs, the Gaucho defense held strong for the rest of the game. But no matter how strong they were playing, they couldn't stop a solo shot over the left field wall early in the fourteenth inning.

"We had so many opportunities to

score, especially after the ninth inning," UCSB Head Coach Fran Wageneck said. "We just made mistakes and couldn't capitalize on it."

It was a case of déjà vu in the second game as Melendrez scored the Gauchos' first run. Only this time, it was not their only one.

No sooner did the Gauchos find themselves with an early two-run lead than the Aztecs fought their way to a 2-2 tie early in the fourth inning. But UCSB was not about to let the game go more than seven innings. They came back in the bottom of the fourth, scoring three runs, including a solo home run by Costa.

It was a big day for Santa Barbara pitching, as Stacy Atwood held tough for fourteen straight innings and newcomer Megan O'Brien pitched a strong second game to grab the win.

The Gaucho offensive effort in game one was led by Costa, who went 3-5, including one RBI. In game two, the bulk of the slugging came from the bat of Kathy Shortall, who went 2-3.



UCSB's Margo Melendrez slid safe into home on a close play in the first inning.

MICHAEL D'EPIC/Daily Nexus

## Five Gymnasts Have a Shot to Make Regional

By Deborah Rafii  
Staff Writer

The season is just about finished for the UCSB men's gymnastics team, but it may send five athletes to the Western Regionals held in Colorado in two weeks.

The UCSB 1st Co-Ed Invitational, which took place on March 11 and featured eight top schools competing, offered several Gauchos an opportunity to qualify for the upcoming event.

Senior all-arounder Jeb Brandon, who broke the school record with a 9.8 on the floor against Stanford at home on March 19, has a great chance to advance to the regional, as does junior Reid Holbrook.

Holbrook has hit several of his routines on both

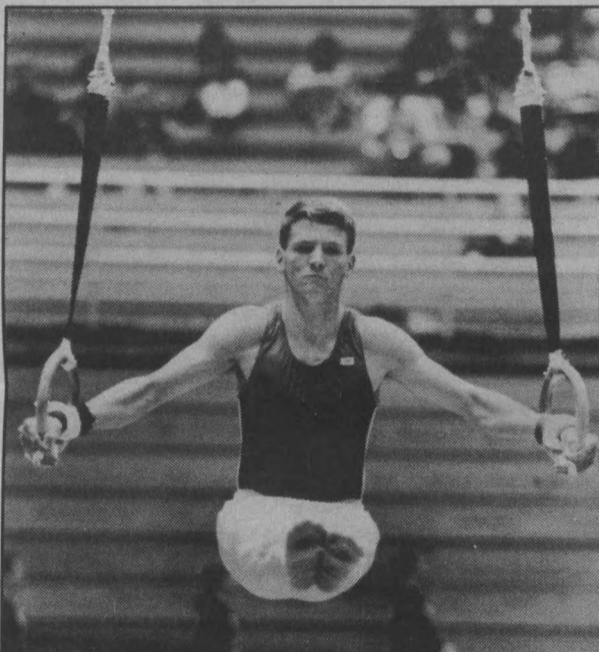
the vault and high bar. At least three other Gauchos have a good chance of making it to Colorado: sophomore David Cassie on the high bar, junior Steve Koiles on the rings and freshman Brian Bakalar on the pommel horse.

UCSB was unable to beat Stanford's 278.95 points as it took second place with a total of 263.45, but several Gauchos did put in competitive performances.

Cassie placed third on the vault with a 9.0, took second place in the all-around competition and scored a 9.4 on the high bar.

Bakalar placed third in the pommel horse with a 9.4, while Holbrook's 9.55 on the floor was a new personal record and gave him fifth place in the event.

Santa Barbara travels to New Mexico for the



Gaucho Dave Ashton shows off his stuff.

JAMES KU/Daily Nexus

Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Conference this weekend in hopes of making a final impression on the national officials in order to advance some of its members to regionals.

The Gauchos usually have five athletes in the

all-around competition, but will be at a slight disadvantage this time with the absence of senior all-arounder Eddie Harwood.

Harwood was dismissed from the team due to disciplinary problems.

## Sluggers Travel South to Take On #1 Titan Team in Three Games

By Curtis Kaiser  
Staff Writer

On its hottest winning streak of the year, the UCSB baseball team will face its toughest test of this season when it goes to battle with the #1-ranked Cal State Fullerton Titans in a three-game series beginning today.

Having won nine of their last 10 games, the Gauchos (13-17, 3-0) are heading into the series tied for first in the Big West Conference with Fullerton (24-5, 3-0) and Pacific.

"We've said all year long, we're not playing the opponent, we're playing the game," UCSB Head Coach Bob Brontsema said. "We need to take care of our business before we worry about the other team."

"If we do the things we need to do we'll have a much better chance of being successful," he added. "If we start worrying about this guy or that guy or that they have Dante Powell or that they're #1 in the nation, it's just a distraction."

The Titans have won six in a row, and like UCSB have taken nine of their last 10. They are ranked #1 by both *Collegiate Baseball* and *Baseball America*, and feature both a powerful offense and a stingy defense and pitching staff.

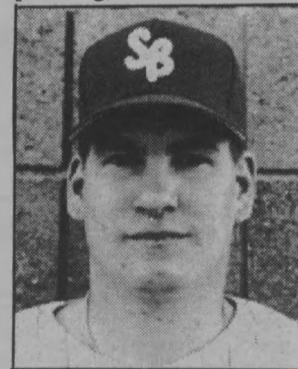
Fullerton is led in offense by player of the year candidate Dante Powell. Powell is batting .288 with five homers, 27 runs batted in and 22 stolen bases. Other offensive stars for the Titans include Jeff Ferguson (.367), Adam Millan (.303) and Brian King (.300).

Fullerton's pitching is its main strength. The staff boasts an earned run average of 2.62, virtually un-

heard of in college baseball. Relievers Matt Wagner (6-0, 1.08 ERA) and Ted Silva (3-1, 2.10, 7 saves) and starters Mike Parisi (6-1, 1.66) and Chad Rolish (5-2, 2.25) lead what may be the best pitching staff in the nation.

In their last 10 games, the Gauchos have improved their hitting, pitching and defense. The team batting average has gone up by over 30 points, and the team ERA has dropped by over a run.

"I think it starts with the pitching," Brontsema said.



Jared Janke

"If you're going to be successful, you need to have quality starts and quality pitches."

The likely starting pitchers for UCSB will be Jared Janke, Pat Treend and Steve Lane. Their excellent pitching over the last few weeks has been the key to the Gauchos' success.

"It's a great challenge," Brontsema said. "We're playing for first place against the #1 team in the nation, down at their field. We're really looking forward to it. It's going to be a lot of fun."

The series begins tonight at 7:00 p.m. at Cal State Fullerton. Friday's game will also start at 7:00 p.m., while Saturday's contest will take place at 1:00 p.m.

## Track Teams Run to Irvine

By Noah Smith  
Staff Writer

In their first meet of the new quarter, the UCSB track and field teams will travel down to UC Irvine on Saturday for a quadrangular meet that will include rivals from Fullerton and Long Beach State.

Although the Gauchos have already beaten each of these opponents this season, the meet should provide a good opportunity for both individual improvement and preparatory competition for the annual stretch drive in April.

"We're really looking more towards our big meets coming up," first-year Head Coach Pete Dolan affirmed. "This will be our last chance for competitive experience before then."

Dolan referred specifically to the Fresno Relays on April 9 and the California State Championships on April 30 as the key meets. The latter meet is new this year, structured as an invitational event held at UCLA.

But first, the Gaucho squads must prove themselves in their weekly meets, and this weekend is no exception. The field is fairly evenly matched, so the UCSB tracksters will have to work to equal the competition.

Among the Gauchos to keep an eye on are Gus Harper and Adrian Garcia, both distance runners for the men's team. Harper holds the year's best Big West Conference time in the 1500 meter, while Garcia recently established the fastest 800 time by a Gaucho since 1990.

On the women's side, Shira Duzman will be returning to her native Irvine to compete in the 800-meter run for UCSB.

## Women's Tennis Roundup

In order for the #19-ranked UCSB women's tennis team to remain unbeaten in Big West competition this year, the players are going to have to be on top of their games.

The Gauchos (10-2 overall, 3-0 in the Big West) take on a strong #40-ranked UNLV squad today on the West Courts at 1:30 p.m. The Rebels are coming off of a big win over #36-ranked San Diego State and boast the #9 singles player in the nation in Marin Anne Vallin.

"They are going to come out hungry," UCSB Head Coach Chris Russell said. "We have to be mentally prepared to beat them. We have to assert our confidence and show our poise."

Russell indicated he is confident that his top

player, Jean Okada, who is #25 in the nation, will be up to the test for the Gauchos. UCSB's Lynn Coakley broke into the nation's top 100 for the first time and will probably play in the #2 spot.

UCSB hopes to use its home court advantage today, and Russell mentioned that a big boost for the Gauchos will come from the players not in the lineup.

"The group of four not in the lineup have contributed very much by charting matches and helping out coaching," he said.

The Gauchos head to Pepperdine University on Saturday to take on the #15-ranked University of San Diego.

"If we're successful against Vegas, we'll be able to use that momentum against San Diego," Russell added.

—Michael Cadilli