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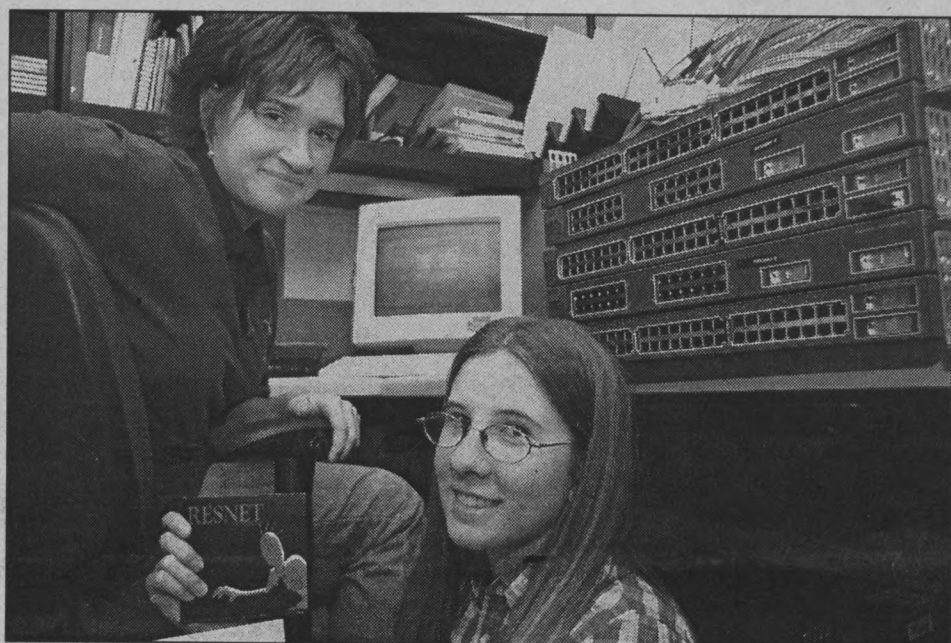
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UCSB Expands Bandwidth to Increase ResNet Speed



Assistant ResNet Coordinator Maria Chanley and sophomore aquatic biology major Cassie Lewis sit in front of new routers that will increase the bandwidth of on-campus Internet connections.

20-Mbit Connection To Alleviate Strain on Internet System

BY TED ANDERSEN
Staff Writer

In response to a continuing stream of on-campus resident complaints of snail-pace Internet traffic, UCSB's Housing and Residential Services has taken several steps since summer to plug students in to quicker connections and curb adverse effects of online file sharing.

In Fall Quarter, the campus-wide Information Technology Planning Group approved a Housing and Residential Services proposal to increase the residence halls' bandwidth — the capacity for a network to carry data — from 10 megabits to 20 megabits (Mbits), said George Gregg, assistant Housing and Residential Services director.

Gregg said the campus has a 622-Mbit connection to CalRenII — an Internet network run between a consortium of universities in California, including the UC system, Stanford and USC and other private institutions. ResNet traffic flows onto CalRenII through a border router, Gregg said, which uses 10 Mbits for residence hall

Internet traffic out of the 622 Mbits available to the campus. He added that UCSB is charged for any Net traffic going outside of campus through the CalRenII gateway to the Internet, and that Housing and Residential Services pays for residents' propor-

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— George Gregg
assistant Housing and Residential Services director

tion of this fee.

"We needed to increase the bandwidth because we were getting a lot of complaints from the students, so we attacked it on several different fronts. One of the fronts was getting approval to increase the speed of our feed into CalRenII," Gregg said.

Another part of the system upgrade was the pur-

chasing of a "packeteer box," which ResNet installed in December. The box, located between ResNet and the feed to the CalRenII, prioritizes campus Net traffic, placing connections to music and video file sharing sites such as Napster.com and Scour.com lower than e-mail or other HTML Web traffic.

"Basically, it manages traffic better — it's like stoplights. It prioritizes traffic, which has made traffic go faster," said Assistant ResNet Coordinator Maria Chanley, UCSB's only full-time, nonstudent ResNet staff member. "It's a whole new way of managing bandwidth."

Before packeteering, which Chanley said close to 150 universities across the country have purchased to control residence hall Internet traffic, many students could not even check their e-mail because Napster alone took up all 10 Mbits of bandwidth.

"One student was caught [about two months ago] using 26 percent of all ResNet bandwidth, so one person was using one quarter

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Construction Worker Discovers Human Remains in Lompoc Field

An unidentified human skeleton was discovered in a field in Lompoc on Tuesday.

A bulldozer operator discovered skeletal remains at approximately 2:37 p.m. while working on an open field directly below Saint Mary's Episcopal Church, located at 2800 Burton Mesa Road. Sheriff's investigators have not determined the identity, race, gender or cause of death; however, the remains were dressed in men's clothing, according to Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Dept. public information officer Lt. Mike Burridge.

The construction crew was clearing vegetation

from the undeveloped field when the remains were discovered in an area often occupied by homeless people. The remains appear aged and are not consistent with a recent death, Burridge said.

"The remains are sun bleached and appear to have been at this location for an extended period of time," he said. "At this time, sheriff's investigators do not suspect foul play, and there are no signs of apparent criminal activity."

The remains have been transported to the sheriff's morgue, where they will be examined and the investigation will continue.

— Shaun P. McGrady

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— Mike Burridge
lieutenant, S.B. County Sheriff's Dept. public information officer

Leg Council Approves Ballot for Election; Declaration of Party Affiliation Remains



Leg Council
This Week

BY ANGELA POTTER
Staff Writer

With elections just around the corner, Associated Students Legislative Council approved the ballot for the Spring 2001 General Elections last night at its first meeting of the quarter.

The new Elections Code changes the way this year's election will be run, and one of the major changes under the new code is the inclusion of party affiliation next to a candidate's name on this year's ballot.

However, students are not allowed to run under common party affiliations such as Democrat or Republican, but are instead using names like Gauchoholics, Student Action Coalition (SAC) and People of Action.

Party affiliations were debated twice during Winter Quarter. The issue surfaced again Wednesday night after several students were apparently confused by the paperwork and forgot to put their party affiliation next to their name.

What began as a debate over meeting a deadline soon broadened into a discussion about whether party affiliation should be allowed on the ballot.

Off-Campus Rep Bill Flores has spoken out against party affiliations since the beginning. However, he is running for president — affiliated with SAC.

"I believe in coalitions; I am

strongly for coalitions," he said, "but this is not fair, and it limits the students. We should be looking at individuals and not parties. The way it is now helps me, but I'm doing what I feel is right for the students."

Proponents of party affiliation argued it was a way to hold people accountable, and it was too late to change the ballot. Off-Campus Rep Jonathan Kalinski said the issue was only being brought up in order to help certain people in the upcoming elections.

"Parties are clashing 2 to 3 weeks before the elections," he said. "They looked at the ballot, didn't like the numbers and decided to make an amendment and blame it on confusion. Let's not let them pull a fast one on us."

Debate ended in a tie, leaving the final decision to Internal Vice President Alison Scheer. After taking a five-minute recess to consider her decision, Scheer voted against the amendment, allowing party affiliations to stay on the ballot.

The motion to add SAC as the party affiliation next to the names of almost twenty people on the ballot also failed. However, the affiliations will be added if the candidates can prove they requested the change before the deadline.

Almost an hour and a half later, the ballot was approved with minor changes in the wording.

Leg Council also briefly discussed the creation of a Local Affairs organizing director — a new title for the

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Top of the News

U.N. Demands Surrender of Milosevic



BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — The U.N. war crimes tribunal hardened its position Wednesday on Slobodan Milosevic, demanding the former Yugoslav president be immediately surrendered for trial — even as the European Union signaled he can first be prosecuted at home as long as he ultimately answers to the U.N. court.

The senior political adviser to the tribunal, Jean-Jacques Joris, said Yugoslavia "must comply and must transfer Mr. Milosevic."

"It must occur immediately," he told reporters at tribunal headquarters in The Hague, Netherlands.

A senior court official, Hans Holthuis, left for Belgrade on Wednesday to

meet with Yugoslav authorities "to clarify the steps that have to be taken to fulfill their legal obligations," the tribunal said in a statement.

Milosevic surrendered to police on Sunday and was imprisoned in Belgrade to face charges of corruption and abuse of power during his 13 years in power. He was also charged with inciting his

[Milosevic] must be handed over to The Hague tribunal to stand justice for his crimes against other people in the region.

**— Robin Cook
British foreign secretary**

bodyguards to shoot at police during a 26-hour standoff before his arrest.

Prime Minister Zoran Djindjic of Serbia, the dominant Yugoslav republic, said war crimes charges might be added to charges Milosevic already faces in Yugoslavia.

President Vojislav Kostunica has refused to

extradite Milosevic, citing a constitutional ban and insisting that his predecessor must face charges before his own people for ruining the country.

Although the United States and its allies insist Milosevic must eventually answer the war crimes charges, the EU appears willing to wait while the Yugoslavs pursue their case against the deposed presi-

dent. British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook, the first senior Western official to visit Belgrade since the arrest, said such proceedings would allow Yugoslavs "to hear in full the crimes committed by Milosevic against his people."

Still, ultimately, "he

must be handed over to The Hague tribunal to stand justice for his crimes against other people in the region," Cook told reporters. Cook linked further Western aid to compliance with the U.N. tribunal, saying "there is a limit" to Western support if Belgrade does not comply.

Despite Western insistence on Milosevic's extradition, the United States and its European allies want to shore up the new democratic government in Yugoslavia. They appear to be trying to balance their interest in promoting Balkan stability with a desire to see Milosevic brought to justice.

With Yugoslavia impoverished after 13 years of economic mismanagement and ruinous wars, the government desperately needs Western aid. If poverty is allowed to grow, public support of the post-Milosevic authorities might fade, benefitting the Milosevic camp.

AP Wire Shorts

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The state Wednesday approved two new power plants in San Diego and Palm Springs that officials said will help ease an expected energy crunch this summer.

State officials granted licenses to the plants under a 19-day expedited review process, Gov. Gray Davis said in a news release. Both plants will be online by July 5.

"We continue to move at warp speed to meet California's summertime electricity demand, without jeopardizing California's environmental protections," Davis said.

The two natural-gas fired plants will be built by Wildflower Energy, a subsidiary of InterGen of North America based in Houston, Texas.

The 90-megawatt Larkspur Energy Facility will be located in the Otay Mesa area of San Diego. The 135-megawatt Indigo Energy Facility will be located near an existing wind generating facility in Palm Springs.

The California Energy Commission also said it has received proposals for two more plants in Chula Vista, in southern San Diego County, and in King City in Monterey County.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration offered Beijing a chorus of regrets but no apology for the collision between a U.S. spy plane and a Chinese jet fighter. China, still detaining 24 American crew members, said it was a step in the right direction amid signs that both sides wanted a face-saving resolution.

President Bush, who issued a stern warning to Beijing a day earlier, had his advisers extend the olive branch Wednesday.

"We regret the loss of life of that Chinese pilot but now we need to move on," Secretary of State Colin Powell said. "We need to bring this to a resolution and we're using every avenue available to us to talk to the Chinese side to exchange explanations and move on."

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer echoed Powell's remarks, saying "we have expressed our concern and our regrets about that incident," but he declined China's demand for an apology. In China, a similar regrets-but-no-apology formulation was offered to the nation's foreign minister by the U.S. ambassador.

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — In their first high-level talks since Ariel Sharon took office as Israel's prime minister, Palestinians and Israelis searched Wednesday for a way to halt the latest surge in Mideast violence. But back home, the two sides traded mortar fire in the Gaza Strip.

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and two senior Palestinian leaders, Nabil Shaath and Saeb Erekat, said the sides would renew security talks that have repeatedly broken down during the more than six months of fighting.

"We are now trying to get out of an extremely difficult period," Peres said after a meeting with Greek Foreign Minister George Papandreou.

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When I was five, mean old ladies with superiority complexes and yellow teeth patrolled the playground armed with pink slips, whistles and explicit threats to "tell your teacher." They used these devices to scold me when I violated their sacred "playground rules."

These women were called yard duties.

Now that I'm in college, mean young people with superiority complexes and bright yellow shirts patrol the campus armed with tight jeans, maglights and explicit threats to "call the police." They use these devices to scold me when I violate their sacred "campus rules."

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— Carl VanArsdall
sophomore electrical engineering major

BANDWIDTH

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of all the bandwidth for 4,200 students. I don't know where we would be without [packeteeing]. We could have gotten 50 or 60 megabits, and it wouldn't make a difference," Chanley said. "It's made complaints — from a scale of one to 10 — from an 11 to a one. Mostly the people who complain are your die-hard computer performance guys who are always in their rooms doing complex things with the network, and they'll complain about speed. Ninety-nine percent of our complaints have dissipated because it has made everything speed up a lot better. It uses bandwidth a lot more effectively, so it has made the network quicker."

Since last summer, ResNet has also changed hub connections to

switches in all university-owned housing except San Rafael, El Dorado and Westgate, which are scheduled for upgrades this summer. Switches are much faster than hubs, because with a switch each user has a 20 Mbit connection, as opposed to previously sharing one 10 Mbit connection with a hub.

"It used to be a whole floor would share a hub and now we have a separate switch, so the traffic stream is separately managed," Gregg said. "So instead of collisions taking place amongst anybody in a floor, it's being switched now so that the traffic is delivered to the higher speed switches without contention."

Sophomore electrical engineering major Carl VanArsdall, a San Miguel resident who last year worked as a resident computer consultant, said that since the packeteeing box

was installed, Napster file transferring has slowed to the point where, "I can't even get a song." He said Napster posed a problem to the university since the university pays for every bit of information sent over the Internet.

"They want the students to have plenty of bandwidth to work with, not for people to goof off, and that's the biggest issue with Napster," he said.

VanArsdall, who helped install the switches in the residence halls in August, said the university also implemented a cable-modem project in Family Student Housing.

"Eventually, all the dorms will catch up with the technology," he said. "It's pretty much preparing for the really big jump [in speed], which I think will come in the future. That freshman class is going to have one hell of a connection — but I don't know how long that'll be."

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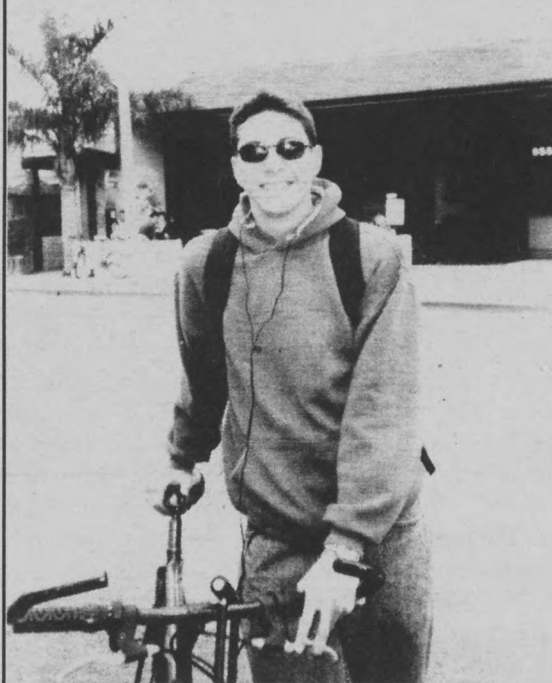


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Opinion

The Cost of an Education

UCSB Must Provide Affordable Housing for Students

MARTY MARKOVITS

Recognizing the urgent need for student housing throughout the University of California system, as well as the inadequacies of the current funding system and the private market, students and campus groups from across the state are uniting to make UCs eligible for state-funded housing. This issue has a profound effect on the quality of a UC education and on our standard of living. So for all of those fed up with overpriced housing, listen up!

The cost of housing in Isla Vista has increased at an extraordinary rate. The average rent for a two-bedroom apartment in 1999 was almost \$375 per person. That same apartment in August 2000 cost \$460. The university is planning to create only 1,500 beds for the 3,000 additional students expected by 2010, and the expense of housing is causing reluctance to build more. The university is not taking sufficient action. The private market is obviously not capable of dealing with our problem. Without the university working to reduce the pressure on the housing situation, students and families will have to confront an extraordinary cost of education.

So what is the obstacle? Since the regents consider housing a necessity, but not essential, housing is designated as an auxiliary service, just like parking and food. Being considered an auxiliary means that something is *not eligible* for state funding and the university has to turn to private investors to borrow the money. These private investors make their money back by charging interest to the universi-

ty. To cover this cost UCSB is increasing student dorm rates. As a result, students in university housing have to pay an added cost on their tuition to pay for housing. This has always been a UC practice, namely *Business Policy 72*. We believe that housing should not be considered an auxiliary service because it is just as fundamental to the university as a classroom or a new administration building. If the university can afford to use taxpayer money to finance world-renowned researchers and expensive administration buildings, then surely it could use some of those funds to help provide affordable housing for its student body.

People need to realize the consequences of the housing crisis. UCSB students living off-campus face annual increases of 20 to 25 percent. Consequently, many Isla Vista residents find housing an additional burden on their education. For students of less affluent backgrounds, the cost of housing has become a key factor in eliminating UCSB as a choice altogether. This

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result directly undermines the regents' and the UC system president's commitment to attract a more diverse student body. Currently 64 percent of UCSB students are of white background, compared only to 15 percent Latino, 15 percent Asian/Pacific Islander and 3 percent African American. Additionally, students who already attend UCSB confront accumulating debt.

Currently, 59 percent of UCSB undergraduates receive some form of financial aid through the university. Due to high rent rates, students are forced to direct

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more of their student loans into private housing costs, rather than focusing their limited incomes on education.

One has to remember that we're not asking that the state finance all university housing, but for the *option* for UC schools to ask for state funding. Once the administration has that option, it will be much easier for the university to get funding. As a result, UCSB will be more likely to build more housing, which would limit the demand in I.V. Because of increased competition with the university, landlords will have to lower the rents. Because the university will be getting state funds, students in the dorms will not have to pay the interest and their student fees will be lower.

There are no statutes or laws in the state legislature that prohibit state funds from being used for housing. What needs to be changed is *Business Policy 72* — the regents' policy of financing housing through the sale of private bonds. Right

now the Isla Vista Action Committee (IVAC), in conjunction with other groups on the other UC campuses, have gotten the issue on the calendar for the May regents' meeting.

The UC system, as a public institution, has a moral obligation to ensure affordable living conditions and campus access for those it brings in. Housing cost is a significant factor when considering university education. By considering housing an auxiliary service, the university unnecessarily restricts the flow of housing funds while increasing the overall cost of education. As students, we will be contributing to the prosperity of this state. It is fair that the UC system accept its responsibility to provide for the future of California and the nation.

Marty Markovits is the President of the IVAC as well as a political science and English major.

The Reader's Voice



FORMER 'JANE ROE' WAS CALLOUS BUT NOT WRONG

Editor, *Daily Nexus*:

In response to Kristi Maso's opinion column, (*Daily Nexus*, "Women Receive Stubborn Dogma, Cold Shoulder From 'Jane Roe,'" April 3). Kristi had a lot of intelligent things to say in her column regarding Norma McCorvey. She attacks hypocrisy and criticizes the speaker's disrespect for the audience. For these points, I applaud Kristi. However, there are some things she says that I do not agree with. I think it is less logical to "applaud people who genuinely believe in someone or something," than to try to find truth. Would you applaud me for believing in the power of a turnip to reverse the direction that the earth spins? I hope you wouldn't — in fact, I hope you would kindly point out to me the massive mistake I'm making.

The issue of abortion is not decided by the attitude or verbal skill of the person arguing for or against it. I agree that McCorvey was often tactless in the way she responded to questions. But her disrespect, callous as it may have been, does not necessarily make her wrong. A polite person could argue my above turnip example and be rudely opposed by another (more logical) person, but again, the politeness of the former figure doesn't mean that turnips are superpowered. I apologize for

McCorvey's demeanor; Kristi is completely justified in being both upset and offended by it.

But neither of us would be justified in believing that gravity doesn't exist or that cheese is intelligent, no matter how kindly these follies could be argued. The issue of abortion revolves around the humanity of the embryo, fetus, etc. in question. If it's a person, like I believe it is, it has got all of the rights of a person (regardless of its age or location). If it's just a lump of atoms, like some other people believe it is, then it has the same rights as any other inanimate object. But these debates don't rest on the personality of the person arguing them.

And in response to Kristi's argument about illegal abortions becoming more common if abortion is declared illegal: that is a tragedy. Please don't think that Christians don't care about mothers or families. The Jesus of the Bible has passionate concern for

those who are downcast, rejected by society, and in pain. But would you suggest that heroin be legalized? For the time being, it's sold in back alleys and cut with dangerous chemicals. However, the fact that people are hurt doing something illegal doesn't mean that we should legalize it to make it safer. The point of declaring an action illegal is to stop people from doing something harmful, not to cater to people's endless drive to disregard the law. I could never argue that heroin should be legalized just because peo-

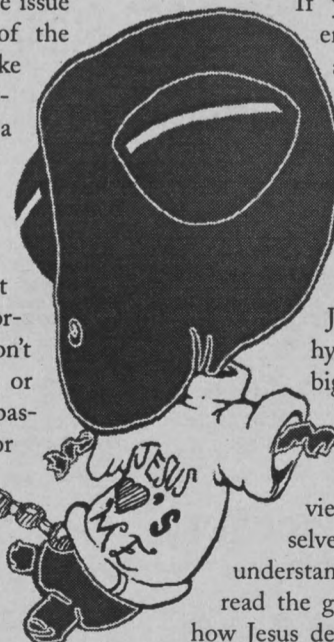
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ple do it regardless of current laws. Likewise, I can't condone abortion just because it happens in back alleys. I don't want to force it into back alleys, where the mothers are put in jeopardy; I want it never to happen at all.

If you believed, like I do, that embryos are people, you would agree that every abortion, no matter where or when or how it takes place, is by definition *unsafe* — it's ending a life.

Lastly, Kristi is commendable in her attack on hypocrisy. In fact, she is almost quoting Jesus himself ("do not be like the hypocrites," Matthew 6:5). It is the biggest problem in the history of Christianity, hands down. Kristi, I *beg* you and the many people who share your point of view, to read the Bible for yourselves! If you are really dedicated to understanding the issues we're discussing, read the gospels of Luke or John and see how Jesus deals with issues of feminism and hypocrisy. You are right in suggesting that a lot of Christians act in ways contrary to their beliefs. That is why I don't trust Christians; I trust Jesus. Examine him, test him and see if he ever does anything contrary to what he says he stands for and whom he says he is.

BRIAN LARSON



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COUNCIL

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chair of the Isla Vista Community Relations Committee (IVCRC).

Off-Campus Rep Bridget Saltzman said, "Basically, this bill would create a person who already exists. It would make the IVCRC chair work more closely with the external vice president of Local Affairs (EVPLA).

The EVPLA is already spread so thin."

Because it would be a By-Law change, the bill was automatically tabled.

In other news, Leg Council vetoed Off-Campus Rep Matt McMillan's 12-page Legislative Reorganization Bill, which has been on the table since January.

McMillan said his bill would "address deficiencies that exist in this

house."

Off-Campus Rep Josh Baker said the bill would just be another set of rules for Leg Council to ignore.

"We have a hard time following rules we already have," he said, "and since there are no important policy changes, I don't think we should have more rules, which, in all honesty, we probably won't follow."

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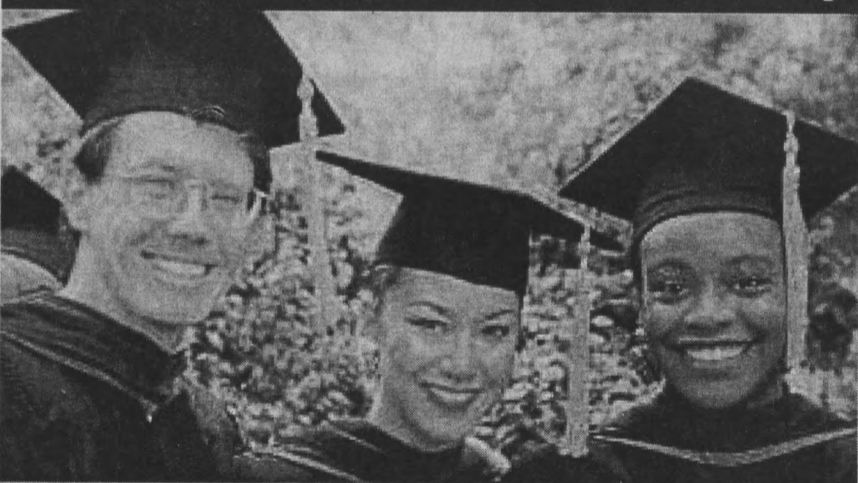
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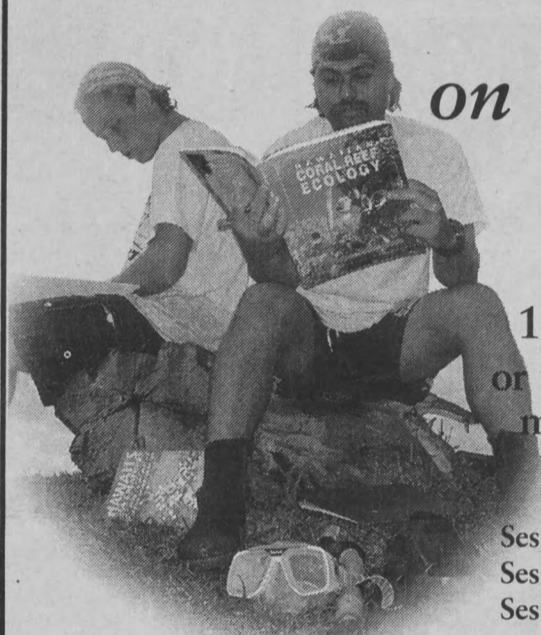
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By Linda C. Black

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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 7 - The trouble with turning fantasy into reality is that things don't always fit. In your head, it's all so perfect. In real life, problems show arise. But that's part of the adventure, right?

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - Watch the other players closely as they place their bets. You could be the big winner, but it won't be due to mere good luck. You're only going to trounce them at a game you've played before. You have a hidden advantage.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 5 - You and your mate or partner could have a tiff. Both of you have good points, and both are missing something. Be nice, and work out a compromise. It's your best chance for success - and romance.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - Additional study leads to new solutions and several new problems. Don't give up. Each dead end is actually a step forward. Eventually, you'll narrow down the options to the one that works.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - Don't blindly follow a friend's advice. It's too expensive, and it won't produce the results you want. Your sweetheart doesn't have the answer, either. Get it from an older person, one from whom you get money. Just ask; it's free.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - Even though you have more control, you still need to proceed with caution. Others, some of whom outrank you, have ideas that won't work. Telling them is risky business, of course. Be cool.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22) - Today is a 6 - Expect delays and disagreements. That way you won't be disappointed. You can talk folks into getting along. You're good at that. It takes time, though. Adjust your expectations.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 5 - Friends are pestering you to come out and play, but don't be distracted. Work still has to come first, just for a little while longer. Meanwhile, find a way to be more efficient. You've been doing something the hard way.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - You may notice that you're a tad on edge. This is perfectly natural. You've got a great idea, and you want to share it. Don't give up if the first reaction isn't as warm as you'd hoped. Give 'em a while to think about it.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 7 - There's plenty of work; that's no problem. The money should be coming in, too. So why be sad? Is it because you're stuck inside when you'd rather be climbing green mountains? Pencil that onto your calendar now.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 7 - Don't take anything for granted. You can bet there will be surprises, but whether they'll do you good or ill depends on you. No napping on the job. You snooze today, and there'll be big trouble.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 4 - There's no shortage of confusion out there, so keep your own confusion to yourself. The less you say, the more you'll profit. You'll look like the only one who knows what's going on. You can figure it out later, at home.

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Sports

UCSB Sprints Past Competition at Multiple Meets

BY BROOKE ROBERTS
Staff Writer

No one can accuse the UCSB track and field team members of being lazy.

The Gauchos have been on their toes for the past few weeks, participating in events across the state, proving that Santa Barbara is a force to be reckoned with.

UCSB's squad has been steadily dividing and conquering the competition by sending out select groups to represent Santa Barbara in a number of different events. During finals week, a handful of Gauchos was elected to compete in the annual Santa Barbara Easter Relays. The attitude was more relaxed as it was a nonscoring meet, but many UCSB athletes put forth impressive performances. Notable highlights included senior Alanna Deely, who notched both a personal best and a Big West Championships qualifying mark in the high jump.

Other Big West qualifying marks came from junior Josh Horton and junior Kevin Howard. Horton found his qualifying mark with a finishing time of 4:14.08 in the 1500-meter race, while Howard qualified with a 142'01" throw in the discus.

After finals week, part of the team headed to Arizona to compete in the Baldy Castillo State Invitational and the other half took a shorter jaunt south to compete in the Cal State Northridge Invite. Neither invitational was a scoring event, so UCSB used the competitions to showcase its talents and tune-up for the upcoming Stanford

Invitational.

Santa Barbara made its presence known at the Arizona Invite by turning in a first place finish. The relay team of seniors Jessica Lunt and Ali Pearson, sophomore Katie Appenrodt and freshman Jasmine Washington set a school record in the women's distance medley by crossing the line in 11:44.73. Lunt took the 1200-meter leg, followed by Washington with the 400-meter leg, Pearson in

Gauchos To Watch

Octavious Gillespie-- Javelin
Alanna Deely-- High Jump
Aaron Sharp-- Distance Runner
Jessica Lunt, Ali Pearson, Katie Appenrodt, Jasmine Washington-- 4x400m Relay Team

the 800-meter slot and Appenrodt in the 1600-meter anchor position.

"[Washington] is doing really well in her 400 pace," senior pole vaulter Deborah Samson said. "She's steadily progressing."

The men's distance medley team also put forth a notable effort but fell short of first place and ended up in second behind Arizona State.

Junior Octavious Gillespie, coming off the injured list for his first performance of the season, led the A-list of performances in

Northridge with a personal best of 208'10" in the javelin throw. Another highlight of the meet was junior Paul Anderson's personal best of 173'07" in the hammer throw.

The following weekend UCSB split up again, with the throwers and high jumpers competing in the UC San Diego Invite and the runners competing in the Stanford Invitational.

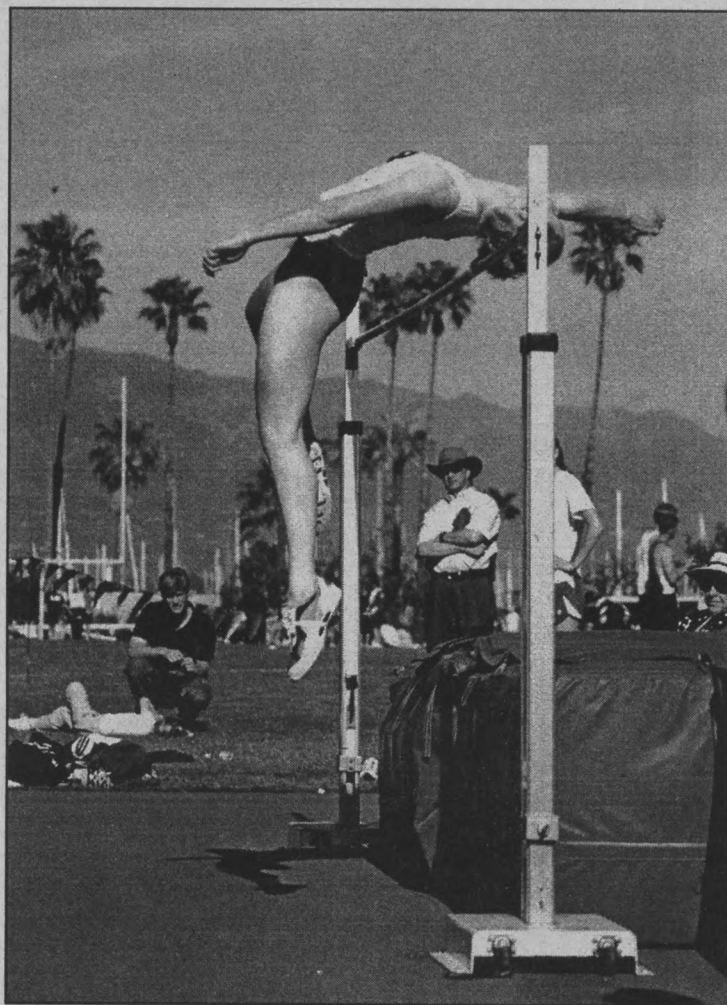
At the San Diego Invite, Gillespie stole the spotlight for the second weekend in a row, throwing the javelin 214'11" for another personal best. His mark puts him at number three on the university's all-time list for his event.

"Octavious is quickly improving, and he's incredible in his event," senior Ryan Kwast said. "He's thrown two lifetime bests within the last two weeks."

Competing in the prestigious Stanford Invitational, the Gauchos turned in a number of impressive performances, showing that they felt right at home on the Stanford track.

Junior Aaron Sharp finished the grueling 10,000-meter distance race with a time of 30:15.21, putting him second on the Big West conference list. Seasonal bests were notched by a number of men's distance athletes, including those turned in by the sophomore trio of Dave Monico, J.T. Service, and Brandon von Guenther.

The women's sprinters also did well at Stanford; the 4-by-400-relay team scored a season-best time and was mere seconds away from breaking the school record in the event. Sophomore sprinter Amber Newsome also had personal bests in both the



COURTESY UCSB TRACK TEAM

Senior Alanna Deely goes up for a high jump at a recent meet. UCSB's men's and women's track teams have been impressive at away meets.

100-meter and 200-meter events.

"Stanford sets the standard with ideal conditions, excellent competition, and first-class facilities," UCSB Head Coach Pete Dolan said.

The Gauchos will be competing in the Big West Challenge Cup located in Fullerton this upcoming weekend. It is a critical event and both the men's and

the women's teams have high hopes of taming the competition to take away a victory.

"Both [the men's and women's teams] have never won the Big West Challenge Cup simultaneously," Samson said. "This is a prime time to do it. With everybody hitting their personal bests or at least seasonal best, we have a good chance of winning."

Santa Barbara Brings the Lumber in 9-0 Demolition Of Westmont

BY MATT HEITNER
Staff Writer

Pardon the expression, but as ESPN's Dan Patrick used to say, the UCSB baseball team is "en fuego."

The Gauchos continued their sizzling play of late Wednesday afternoon against

Westmont, crushing the Warriors, 9-0. Santa Barbara, scoring four unearned runs in the game, took advantage of multiple Westmont errors. UCSB has now won 11 of its last 12 games, improving to 22-8 on the season. The Gauchos also own sole position of first place in the competitive Big West conference because of their best start since 1990.

"I think we're starting to come together," senior shortstop Jeff Bannon said. "Our pitching and defense has starting coming around lately and is making a difference in games. The difference between this year and last year is that our pitching has more depth and the team has more maturity."

In the first inning, UCSB made the Warriors pay for an early throwing error to take a 1-0 lead. Senior second baseman Chad Peshke then brought the pain to start the top of the third inning, blasting a home run over the center field fence.

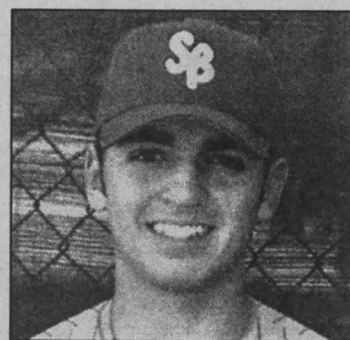
"It was a 3-1 count, so I was looking for a fastball," Peshke said. "I wasn't thinking home run, but I figured a fastball was coming, and I got it."

The Gauchos followed the Peshke bomb with two walks and two singles, eventually going up, 4-0. Santa Barbara then scored a run in the fourth inning and added another in the fifth off of Westmont starter Kevin Whiter. In the sixth inning, UCSB capitalized on back-to-back Warrior errors, scoring three unearned runs for the final margin.

Westmont could only scrape together five hits in six innings off of Gaucho starter, freshman Matt Vasquez. The Warriors did threaten to score in the bottom of the second and fifth innings, leading off each with a double. But Vasquez recovered both times, ending Westmont's scoring hopes.

"I was just looking to throw strikes out there today," Vasquez said. "[Westmont] is a good team. I used a slider and a fastball mostly today. I only threw one change-up, and that didn't go so well."

After Vasquez hit the showers, three Gaucho relievers combined to hold the Warriors scoreless over the final three innings.



Matt Vasquez

Next up for the Gauchos is a three-game home series with Riverside before heading to Los Angeles for a game against USC. Santa Barbara has only four games left before Big West play begins, and UCSB wants to enter conference play on a high note.

"We're on a roll right now," Bannon said. "We'd just like to keep rolling. Riverside is going to join the Big West next year, and we'd like to show them just what Big West baseball is all about."



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Junior outfielder R.J. Smith takes a cut at a pitch. The UCSB baseball team has been on fire recently, improving to 22-8. The Gauchos will face off against Riverside this weekend.