

Friday

May 1, 1998



Get Movin'

The annual 5K/10K Spring Run & Walk in the Sun will take place tomorrow at the Lagoon. Proceeds benefit the Jack Canfield Chicken Soup Fund to help students with medical difficulties. Check-in starts at 8:30 a.m. For more information, call 893-3253.

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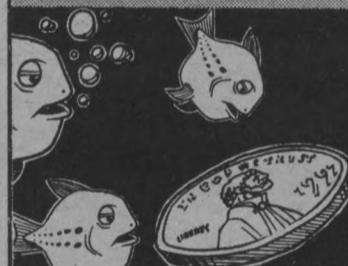
They're So Money

Europe prepares for the introduction of its standard currency, the euro. There's just one minor dispute over who will lead its bank ...

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Turnaround

After yesterday's column calling for a kinder, gentler attitude toward landlords, John Anthony Deksnis uses them as a springboard for a diatribe against greed.



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Wining About Politics

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Gold Diggers

The UCSB baseball team hopes to strike it rich in Long Beach this weekend against the 49ers.

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Senator Jack O'Connell will be holding card-table office hours today from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Goleta Community Center. Call 966-2296 for more information.

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Activists March in I.V. Park

BY JILL ST. JOHN
Staff Writer

Carrying candles and hope, students marched through the dark of night in an effort to shed light on issues of sexual assault against women.

Members of Isla Vista and the campus community came together Thursday night to rail against violence in the annual Take Back the Night assembly. In past years, the event has taken place in Storke Plaza, but in an effort to reach to a larger audience, Take Back the Night was held in Anisq' Oyo' Park, according to event organizer and sophomore women's studies major Yumi Matsui.

"We moved it to the park this year to get it out to the community," she said. "This year, it has been more about outreach."

The event opened at 4:30 p.m. with the bands Third Sex and Madison. Katy Arhovick of Madison,



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Two women participate in a self-defense demonstration, one of Thursday night's many events affiliated with Take Back the Night.

who has participated for the past three years, expressed how the purpose of the evening plays a strong role in being a woman artist.

"This is a benefit for a specific cause that is part of the reason why I'm playing music," she said.

The evening proceeded with student speakers, a self-defense presentation, dance performances

and a keynote speaker. Representatives from the organization Asian Sisters (& Brothers) for Ideas in Action Now!, including junior women's studies and black studies major Meriam Azusada, senior sociology and Asian American studies major Sumaya Dinglasan and senior art studio and sociology major Jee Ryu, discussed

the different stereotypes that Asian women face.

"We are not lotus blossoms. We are not China dolls. And we are not Geisha dolls," they said. "We are showing that we do speak out and we're representing."

Queer Student Union Chair

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Resort Subject of Planned Peaceful Protest

Surfrider Foundation To Host Weekend Demonstration Against Hotel

BY ETHAN CHILDRESS
Staff Writer

Expressing opinions and raising awareness about new developments on a local beach will highlight a peaceful protest this weekend.

The demonstration is in response to the Santa Barbara Club Resort and Spa, currently under construction at Haskell's Beach in Goleta. The Santa Barbara Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation is holding the event to raise consciousness about this issue and to dissuade any potential investors from helping the project reach completion, according to chapter secretary Ken Palley.

"Basically, this rally is primarily to protest the building of this one hotel, but it is also to raise awareness of what is going on on the coastlines — show some of the damage that has already been done," he said. "This project doesn't just develop a beautiful area of coast, it

opens the door for development all up and down the Gaviota coast."

According to 3rd District Executive Assistant Mark Chaconas, the approval of the project by the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors did not occur without debate.

"This isn't a very popular project to begin with — it only passed by a three to two vote and that decision was taken to court," he said. "It was upheld, but many still don't like it."

Although the construction has already started, Chaconas said that this endeavor is not a lost cause.

"I agree with what Ken is doing," he said. "Even if this protest doesn't turn away investors for the project, it is still an important step. The threat is greater than just this hotel. The more people know about what is happening to our beautiful coastlines, the more they will get involved to help preserve what is left of them."

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Committee Addresses Housing Inspector, Teen Center

BY ERIN KUCERA
Reporter

Isla Vista residents and Santa Barbara County government officials met on Thursday to discuss upcoming I.V. issues in hopes of strengthening county and community communication.

The I.V. Community Advisory Committee, an organization which is focused on improving I.V. and acting as a liaison between I.V. and 3rd District Supervisor Gail Marshall, identified housing inspections and the new Teen Center as issues of concern, according to 3rd District Executive Assistant Mark Chaconas.

"This is an ongoing action- [and] work-oriented committee," he said. "One of our goals is to improve I.V. street lighting and housing."

A housing inspector for I.V. was recently approved by the county Board of Supervisors, according to 3rd

District Executive Assistant John Buttny. Although 80 percent of housing in I.V. is in good shape, the inspector will be called upon to keep major residential problems in check, he said.

The Teen Center, scheduled to open in June, is a much-needed resource, according to Teen Center Program Coordinator Melinda Bravo.

"There are many issues in the community that are not being addressed," the senior Chicano studies major said. "Parents and teens have a say in what goes on in the Teen Center."

CAC board member and Associated Students External Vice President of Local Affairs-elect Alonso Gonzales said that he hopes the inspections will be helpful to I.V. residents, although he is worried that the inspector may look for violations in areas other than zoning.

"I am optimistic about the positive effect [the in-

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Two Students Awarded for Sports Work

BY JON MAUCELI
Reporter

The hard work and toil of two students paid off as a national athletic organization spotlighted them from among a large lineup of candidates.

Brian Raines and Kristen Bellini were selected as recipients of the William N. Wasson Academic and Leadership Award. Named after William Wasson, founder of the National Intramural Recreational Sports Association, the award is given once a year to honor college students who are active employees or participants of intramural sports. Physical Activities Associate Director Paul Lee was gratified that two Santa Barbara students were among the winners.

"Region six incorporates Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, Hawaii, Guam and California," he said. "There are only four undergraduate awards given to each region and two out of the four were given to UCSB. That's quite an accomplishment."

Senior communication major Kristen Bellini has been responsible for obtaining sponsorship funds for the program, accord-

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Top of the News

Conflict Threatens Introduction of Euro



BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — A dispute between France and Germany over who should run one of the world's most powerful financial institutions threatens to spoil this weekend's landmark summit to launch Europe's single currency.

The standoff is also raising doubts about the independence of the European Central Bank, which will run the monetary policy of the 11 nations adopting the euro currency.

The bank, which the European Union hopes will come to rival the U.S. Federal Reserve, is supposed to be free from political influence of individual EU members.

France stands virtually alone in its bid to place Bank of France Governor Jean-Claude Trichet in the top

job. Germany and the other EU nations want Dutchman Wim Duisenberg to get the job. Both men are widely respected. Their main distinction appears to be

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nationality.

The dispute risks spoiling the party as Europe ushers in a new era.

Saturday's summit in Brussels will sound a death knell for the German mark, the French franc and other currencies that have been symbols of national identity. It will lead to the formation of a vast economic zone of 290 million people.

"We find ourselves at a historic point in the construction of Europe," wrote

European Commission President Jacques Santer.

Barring some last-minute upset that would plunge the EU into a deep crisis, its leaders will confirm Germany, France, Italy, Spain, the Netherlands, Austria, Belgium, Portugal, Finland,

Ireland and Luxembourg as the first members of euro-land. On Thursday, the European Parliament voted overwhelmingly to endorse that list.

The summit will also fix the exchange rates at which their currencies will be locked in preparation for the euro's birth on Jan. 1. All 11 currencies will rise and fall together on currency markets, effectively meaning the European monetary union starts next week.

Four EU nations will stay out of the currency bloc: Britain, Sweden and Denmark have chosen to keep national money, Greece's economy is too weak, but it wants to join in 2001.

The aura of history surrounding Saturday's meeting is increasing pressure on EU leaders to resolve the central bank issue. But while both camps say they want a settlement, there were few signs of progress.

"France has its own candidate, and we will support him," President Jacques Chirac told reporters Wednesday night.

The Dutch and Germans oppose splitting the president's eight-year mandate between Trichet and Duisenberg, as some have suggested. Nobody really wants to seek a third candidate, although Finland's central bank governor Sirkka Hamalainen has been mentioned as a possibility.

Student Protest Increases Tension Within Kosovo



PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Hundreds of Serb riot police turned back Albanian students trying to enter the main university Thursday — despite an earlier agreement allowing their return after nearly 10 years. News of the killing of three Serbs by Albanian militants added to tensions.

Thursday's standoff between the ethnic Albanians and Serb police in the southern Yugoslav province lasted about 30 minutes before the students dispersed.

The students were turned away despite a Serb-Albanian agreement last month to permit Albanians to return to university premises they have boycotted for nearly a decade to protest Serbian rule.

Ethnic Albanians outnumber Serbs 9-to-1 in Kosovo, but Serbs consider the area vital to their identity. Serbia dominates what remains of Yugoslavia, which also includes Montenegro.

According to the agreement, ethnic Albanian students, who had responded to Serbia's abolition of Kosovo's author-

ity in 1989 by setting up underground university classes, were to gradually return to the official Serb university premises in Pristina, the Kosovo capital.

Albanians would have Albanian-language instruction for part of the day, with Serbs getting taught in their own language after the Albanians leave.

But the Serb dean, Radivoje Papovic, vowed Thursday that the Albanians won't be allowed back, independent B-92 radio reported in Belgrade.

The clash came amid news of the death of three Serbs in the province, including a policeman killed Wednesday by a mortar shell in a police station on the Pristina-Prizren road. Serb police blamed Kosovo separatists.

On Thursday, the bodies of two Serbs, believed to have been kidnapped by Albanian militants a week ago, were found on a road near the western village of Decani, Serb officials said.

Earlier Thursday in Pristina, thousands of Serbs staged a protest against incentives and penalties — including a freeze on Yugoslav and Serbian assets abroad.

AP WIRE SHORTS

• **BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)** — After two days of being nailed to wooden crosses, three city workers protesting a plan that would eliminate their pensions came down after reaching an agreement with city hall, authorities said Thursday.

The men ended the protest Wednesday and were taken to the hospital in Cartago, 130 miles west of Bogota.

The three had supporters drive six-inch nails into their hands Monday to protest the mayor's plan to force 150 city employees to take early retirement, some without pensions. As part of the agreement, interim Mayor Mario Patino agreed to restore the men's pensions.

The three crosses were tilted backward to prevent serious injuries.

The men were expected to remain at the hospital for several days to guard against infection.

• **BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)** — Suspected paramilitary gunmen dragged people off a bus and from their homes in northern Colombia before forcing them to lie face down and spraying them with bullets. At least 21 people were killed, police said Thursday.

Military and police reinforcements were sent to Urrao, 180 miles north of the capital, Bogota, to search for the killers, said Col. Luis Eduardo Garcia, the local police commander.

Gunmen forced 10 people off a bus Tuesday before shooting them to death, then went on a killing spree that stretched into the next day on the outskirts of town. Some

of the bodies were piled side-by-side into the back of a pickup and taken to the morgue.

Witnesses said about 40 men dressed in military fatigues and armed with machine guns took part in the slaughter, saying the victims were killed because they were suspected of aiding leftist rebels.

Police also discovered the bodies of three people Wednesday who were abducted days earlier from the nearby town of Bello, Garcia said. Five others are missing, he said.

• **HONG KONG (AP)** — Hong Kong closed five beaches Thursday because of a new species of red tide — a toxic phenomenon that has already killed 1,500 tons of fish since mid-March.

Red tides are caused when water temperatures increase and algae breed quickly, soaking up oxygen and releasing fish-killing toxins.

The most recent beaches closed were in the New Territories bordering China. Officials are conducting tests to determine the algae's species.

A deadly species, *Alexandrium excavatum*, can attack the spinal nervous system and be fatal in large doses. It was found in Hong Kong waters last week, and health officials warned people not to eat shellfish.

Red tides have wiped out half of Hong Kong's farm fish since mid-March, causing losses totaling \$10.2 million and leaving about 1,000 Hong Kong fishermen in financial trouble.

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Weather

Break out the maypole and get ready to sing and dance like banshees, because not only is it Friday, but also the day of giving flowers for hard work, sweat and love, amongst other things (they all sound related to me). Welcome to May Day!

Though May Day has its origins and is primarily celebrated in the United States, it has come to unofficially signify an international springtime festival recognizing the labors of all the world's workers. We Americans don't deem it as important as our traditional Labor Day in the fall, so we give flowers to each other but don't get a paid day off. (Apparently FTD thinks it worthy enough of exploiting, so they use the "price is proportional to importance" tactic and raise flower and candy prices. This is similar to the methods used for Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day and my birthday).

Forecast: If all those April showers did any good, then we'll see plenty of May flowers, along with great sunshine throughout the weekend. Enjoy — this one's on me.

Reps OK Oaks Petition, Pass Bills

By TED ANDERSEN
Staff Writer

A drought of attending members and three passed legislation articles characterized this week's Associated Students Legislative Council meeting.

Wednesday's Leg Council meeting was postponed for 20 minutes due to excessive absences, since the meeting could not start without a majority of members, according to Off-Campus Rep Briah Tannler.

"We need 11 representatives to make quorum — a majority," Tannler said. "Gosh, I wonder where everybody is?"

When a majority was established and proxies for absent members voted in, reps passed the Oak Initiative Position Paper. The legislation is a circulating petition to place the Native Oak Protection measure on the county ballots in November, according to Alliance to Conserve Oak Resources Now Coordinator Eric Cardenas. ACORN initiated the measure to limit the amount of clearcutting in Santa Barbara wine vineyards, he said.

"[The Native Oak Protection measure] limits the amount of oaks [property owners] can cut [down] from their property. It does depend on the size of the oak tree and the size of the property," he said. "We need to get 13,000 valid signatures before June 1 in order to get it on the November ballots."

The Committee Appointments By-Law change passed with a vote of 12-5-0-0 after

over 40 minutes of deliberation. According to On-Campus Rep Christina Costley, although the proposition sought to place a Leg Council rep on every A.S. board and committee by reducing the number of reps who sit on larger boards and committees, the overall representation of the larger committees would suffer.

"I don't see how diluting the amount of representatives on each board is in the students' best interest," she said.

Off-Campus Rep Justin Glycer refuted this idea, saying that Tannler's bill was the first step toward giving representation to all of Leg Council's entities.

"If we don't put someone where there is no representation, then we definitely won't hear from that committee," he said.

A unanimous vote passed the External Vice President bill. According to EVP for Local Affairs Leila Salazar, the bill alters A.S. By-Laws by eliminating the EVP's meeting obligations that no longer exist and updating others.

"I think this is very necessary that this be revised because a lot of the meetings the EVP is supposed to go to don't exist any more," she said.

Tabled until next week was the I.V. Community Relations Committee bill. According to Tannler, the bill's author, the legislation was held in order to make amendments.

"We still need to make changes on it," she said. "We want to make the Gaucho Housing Guide a subcommittee so IVCRC oversees it."

PROTEST

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The county's approval process was sufficient to ensure that the project will be environmentally sensitive, according to Santa Barbara Club Resort and Spa project manager Joshua Leach.

"This project spent 20 years in the permitting phase," he said. "This wasn't a quick process. They looked

into all the implications before they gave us the permits. We trust that if there was any danger to the ecology or economy of the area that it wouldn't have been approved."

Leach went on to say that he didn't agree with some of the complaints that the Surfrider Foundation raised.

"Before we came, everyone that came to this land was technically trespassing,"

he said. "There was nothing out here. When this project is done, there will be public parking, public showers, public bathrooms, a snack bar and a whole lot more that wasn't here before, including better access to the beach itself."

The protest will take place at Haskell's beach, located near the Winchester Canyon exit in Goleta, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

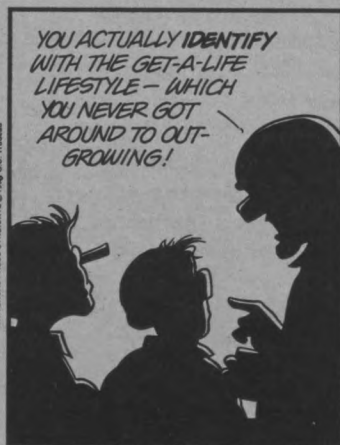
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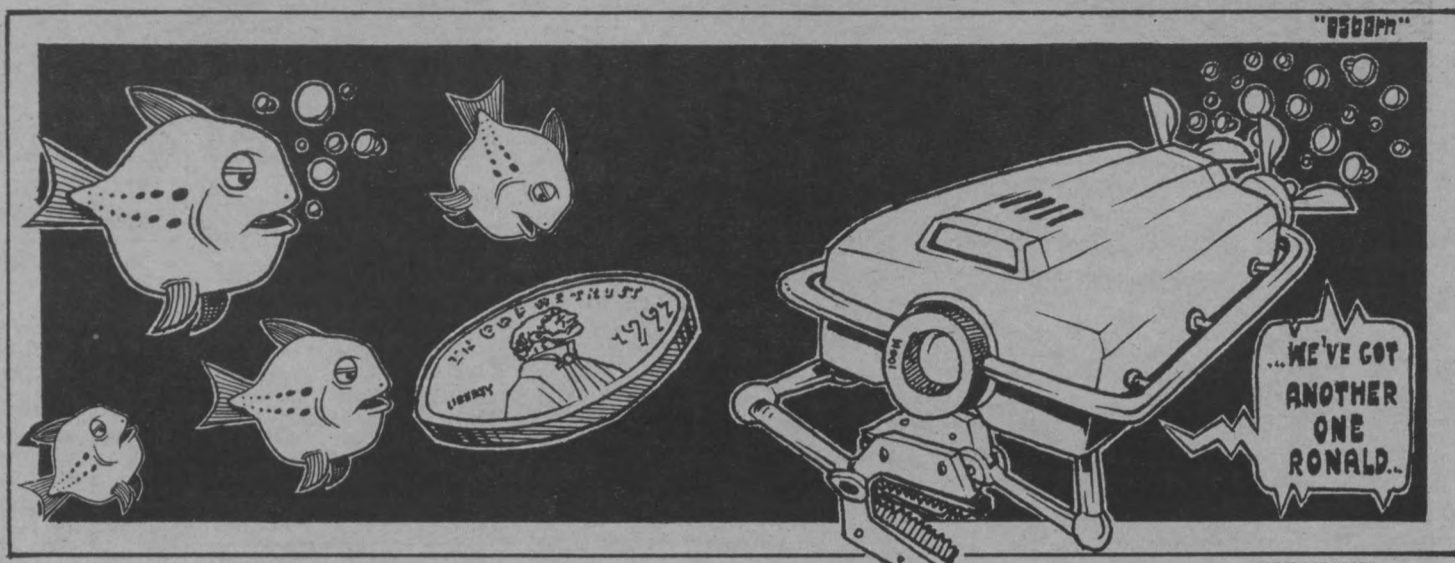
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There's Got To Be a Limit Somewhere

Greed Drives Too Much of Society — Where Will It End?



CORY OSBORN / DAILY NEXUS

JOHN ANTHONY DEKSNIS

For the past few days, I've been hoping to open my morning paper and be greeted by a huge, tabloid-style headline that screams: STOCK MARKET COLLAPSES; Brokers and Investment Bankers Leap to Deaths!

Well, not really, because I try not to wish anyone harm or ill fortune, but I do believe such events could, on balance, be good for the country. At least they would thin the ranks of the profit-, greed- and money-crazed people whose actions have been turning our world into an uglier, meaner place than it's ever been.

Last week I discovered that the owner of our building — we live in one of the large apartment complexes on Abrego Road — intends to raise our rent for a one-bedroom apartment from \$650 per month to almost \$800. To be expected to pay that kind of money for this place — it's drafty and cold in the winter, all the ceilings have huge water stains as a result of years of roof leaks, and because the walls are so thin, if one of our neighbors farts, we share the entire experience save for the aroma — is on par with being asked to pay \$3.75 for a small portion of rancid-tasting movie-theater popcorn.

Ain't worth it? Rip-off? That's for sure, to say the least. So much for that aroma we've been mercifully spared, because this outrageous rent increase stinks to high heaven.

But that's the way it goes these days, so this robber-baron act didn't surprise me. Wringing every possible penny of profit out of every situation — and to hell with how many people might get hurt or exploited by it — is, nowadays, standard business practice.

Ruthless, bottom-line-obsessed CEOs think nothing of slashing 10,000 jobs just to kick their company's stock price up a couple of bucks. Countless positions once occupied by secure company employees are now filled with lower-paid "temp" workers (who often enjoy no benefits such as holiday pay or pension plans) just to fatten profits, and to get a

decent *anything* these days at a reasonable price is virtually impossible; relentless cost-cutting equals cheaper materials equals marketing replacing quality equals increased prices to cover marketing costs.

The greed that is at the root of it all is disgusting. And so are the euphemisms such as "responsibility to our shareholders" that are used to describe it. "Show me the money!" would be much more appropriate.

If ever a single phrase captured the essence of a time and place — in this case, late 20th century America — that one is certainly it. Every aspect of our society — from entertainment to sports to business of all kinds — seems infected by the attitude "How much can I get out of this deal?"

To the largest extent possible, I try to avoid even the most minimal interaction with people who subscribe to such a philosophy, but, unfortunately, since I'm not inclined to go live in the wilderness Unabomber-style, all too often they still manage to shape the quality of my existence. Our new lease's rent increase is obscene to me, but because it isn't convenient to move right now, there is little choice but to pay it.

All the money-grabbers out there, though, might be wise to tear themselves away from their financial statements for a moment and reflect upon something I heard years ago from a corrupt Chicago politician: "If you steal, don't steal too much or the people will get pissed and then you're in big trouble." Translated and put into a historical perspective: if you don't leave enough for the peasants, eventually they'll storm the castle.

The way things have been going — take, for example, greedy athletes pouting when they get offered a contract for \$80 million instead of a hundred, when many of their working-class fans can't afford the price of tickets to take their children to the games — I suspect many of this country's "peasants" are just about ready to rumble.

John Anthony Deksnis is a longtime resident of Isla Vista.

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TWO MORE TALES OF CSO ADVENTURE!

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Lately, in the *Nexus* there has been a lot of CSO bashing. I began to ponder, more and more, about the reasons why we have this organization on campus. I thought of the experiences that I've had with the CSO over the last two years and then I wondered, "Why do we even have this organization?" That's when I realized they keep their bogus, moneymaking sham running in the name of escorting our lovely, drunk ladies home from parties and selling students pieces of crap as bikes, so they can steal them again, like they did with Joanna Rogers' bike (*Daily Nexus*, "And the Little, Little Man Said ... I DON'T CARE," April 28).

Last year (I know it's a little late, but I've been busy), I had two major incidents with the CSO.

1) In the beginning of the last year, as an inexperienced freshman, I bought a bike from the CSO bike auction. The CSO minion put on the auction block a bike that was "ready to ride." After I paid \$80 for it, I discovered that it had 2 popped tires and no brakes. I went back to where I had just given CSO my check and told them they could resell my bike (the auction was still going on) and to rip up my check. The CSO lady threatened to call the cops on me because I was disrupting the "auction process" and I was creating a nuisance.

I left the bike at the auction and stopped

payment on my check. CSO then billed the \$80 to my BARC account and I still refused to pay the money for a bike that was not even in my possession. CSO refused to repeal the charge and I almost didn't get a loan, which led to my job abroad, because of it. After months of haggling, my parents bailed me out because it came down to the fact that if I had contested the fine, I would have lost because of a small disclaimer on the information sheet they give you at the beginning of the auction. So, now the CSO has my \$80 and they probably resold the handicapped bike to some other victim at the auction.

2) My second experience with the CSO: I got locked out of my dorm room in the middle of night after returning from the bathroom. I saw the CSO out in the lobby so I went to them for help. The CSO man mocked me by saying he had a master key to all the dorm rooms but he wouldn't let me in. "There's a number you can call and someone will help you," he jeered at me. I called the number and no one answered. I told him this. He told me to keep trying and left. So, there I was standing in the lobby of Anacapa at 4:30 in the morning, in little pajamas, freezing, dialing a useless phone number, and waiting for the drunken weirdo who the CSO was "protecting" me from to walk through the front door of the lobby.

So my question is: CSO — what is it that you do for our campus, exactly? You'd better start answering some questions soon or maybe all of us CSO-haters will band together and shut your worthless organization down.

APRIL DUNLOP

"It is not best that we should all think alike; it is a difference of opinions that makes horse races."

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Santa Barbara Fair & Expo

A Feature by Claire Smith

Cotton candy, clowns and chickens carry the carnival spirit to Santa Barbara this weekend as the annual Santa Barbara Fair and Expo hits Earl Warren Showgrounds.

The fair, featuring an incongruous but familiar combination of fairground rides,

farmyard animals and flower exhibits, opened Wednesday and will continue through Sunday. Crowds of nearly 60,000 are expected to visit the new and improved fair throughout the five days, according to Jennifer Knudsen, media direc-

tor of the Fair and Expo.

"This year we have a new carnival, with a new ride, the Falling Star. We have more animals, including sheep, lambs, cows, poultry and lots of pigs. We also have a celebrity chicken: the one who appears in the apartment on 'Friends' is here," she said.

The chicken from "Friends," together with a hypnotist, a swing dance and a celebration of National Brewing Day on Saturday with local National Brew Association members, represent the wonderfully haphazard mix of elements that makes each fair unique.

The atmosphere of a fair, which is difficult to define but is somehow connected to its temporality, its distance from reality and its universal appeal, is closely connected to those people who make the fair their lifestyle. Everyone who chooses to live the unusual life of a fair worker loves it, for various reasons.

Mickey the Clown, who lives in a brightly painted bus displaying his name, has travelled the carnival circuit his whole life, and could not imagine any other lifestyle.

"You have to love it. I love the circus, I grew up doing it, and I'm still having fun now working in fairs. It's life — there's nothing else I know how to do," he said. "My home is my bus, and I



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Mickey the clown poses with his dog in front of the bus that serves both as his house and his means of transportation.



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travel from fair to fair. In this bus I'm in the best of places at the best of times. I sometimes envy people who settle down and have nice homes, but not for long; then my bus starts up and off I go."

Terry Davis, who works the basketball toss, joined the fair 18 years ago.

"I was homeless, and I needed work. I couldn't lead a normal life now — it's too routine. I love to travel — the people, the excitement, the beautiful women. I've done 28 states and I'm not going to settle down any time soon," he said.

The unpredictability of the fair lifestyle provides every fair worker with many stories, one of which Melanie Heller was eager to tell.

"We were in Yuma, Ariz., and there was this marine guy who wanted a red dog [stuffed animal] so bad — so a carnie told him if he licked the pavement from one end to another he could have it. So he got down on his hands and knees and licked for 200 yards, and when he got up his tongue was thick with tar!" she said.

The social aspect of the fair lifestyle drew Mary Lee, who runs a craft center.

"I'm a former teacher, but I've never been good at 9 to 5. I like the atmosphere of a fair," she said. "The fair circuit is social — you have a 'fair family.'"

For those who come to the fair, the people are as much an attraction as the rides, as 12-year-old Da-

niella Flores from La Cumbre Middle School attests.

"It's better than Disneyland because there's more people. It's just fun," she said.

Maddie Bramel, 11, from La Cumbre Middle School, is drawn to the fair every year because of the rides.

"We wanted to try the rides. It's a good fair but the games are a rip-off," she said.

The Santa Barbara Fair and Expo will be open today from 4 p.m. to midnight, Saturday noon to midnight and Sunday noon to 11. Admission is \$5, with ride tickets 75 cents each (most rides require three to five tickets). For more information, call 687-0766.

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spector] will have on I.V. in general," he said. "I am concerned that the renters may be intimidated while talking to inspectors."
Other issues discussed at the meeting included parking, speeding, speed bumps in I.V. and the Youth Task Force. Also, I.V. Foot Patrol Lt. Butch Arnoldi indicated in his

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public safety report that sexual assault percentages are up, while burglary and theft are down in the last year.
Marshall announced that I.V. residents Dave Fortson, Juan Fausto, Jerry Davis, Alonso Gonzales, Yasmin Vetter, Tim Kawasaki, Meghan Conklin, Laura Lee Brands, Isabel Oregon and Leila Salazar have been appointed to fill the CAC. Committee seats are also waiting to be filled by one A.S. off-campus representative and the A.S. Committee on I.V. chair.
The CAC's next meeting will be Thursday, May 28, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the University Religious Center, 777 Camino Pescadero.

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ing to Lee.
"Kristen is our marketing manager. She started in the program as an intern who wanted some practical experience for future development," he said. "She turned out to be a real gem in getting sponsors and did a lot for our program."
Bellini was pleased that her hard work had gained such recognition.
"I was really honored. It's a great privilege to receive this award," she said.

Junior business economics major Brian Raines initially got involved in intramurals as a participant, he said.
"First, I started playing racquetball, then I started playing intramurals," he said. "I met the coordinator, was hired and then worked my way up to the student director of Sports Clubs."
Lee found Raines valuable to the program because of his communication skills and ability to work with people.
"Having Brian as the student director of Sports Clubs is extremely beneficial due to the fact that he can relate directly with peers about the responsibilities expected of them," he said. "He works as the direct liaison for Sports Clubs to the public. He works with the sports council, [and] also goes out into the community and works with the schools."
The award made Raines feel as though all his hard work had paid off.
"It's a great honor to receive this award," he said. "Working for recreational sports is an awesome opportunity. I get to meet lots of people, there's lots of respectability, [and] you get great experience and references that will all travel to the working world."

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Cecilia Sapps spoke on the topic of violence and the importance of the evening's message.
"To 'Take Back the Night' is to take control of my life," the junior film studies major said.
Keynote speaker Elena Featherstone, an African American writer, filmmaker and educator, discussed the effects of violence against women, gays and men and the importance of dialogue and resistance.
"There is same-sex violence in this country and it needs to be brought out of the closet," she said.
Following the performances and speakers was a candlelight march through I.V. with participants chanting various

slogans such as "women unite, Take Back the Night" and "women have the right to walk alone at night." Undeclared sophomore Emily Higginson said that the march was an empowering experience.
"I thought it expressed a lot of feelings that people wouldn't normally feel comfortable speaking about," she said. "With a lot of people, there is more of an impact."
The march ended at Anisq' Oyo' park, where a microphone was left open for people to voluntarily give personal testimonials. Event coordinator and senior English major Amy Scott commented on the importance of this public dialogue.
"I think that with the testimonials ... feeling able to express yourself is the first step toward resistance," she said.

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Sports

UCSB Hopes To Help LBSU Slump Continue

■ Gauchos Must Contain Berni, Day

BY STEVE WENDT
Staff Writer

The UCSB baseball team might be swinging into Long Beach State's neck of the Southern Californian woods at a very opportune time.

The Gauchos, winners of three of their last four games — the fourth being a one-run loss to #6 USC — travel to Long Beach to face a 49ers squad that has lost eight of its last 10 games.

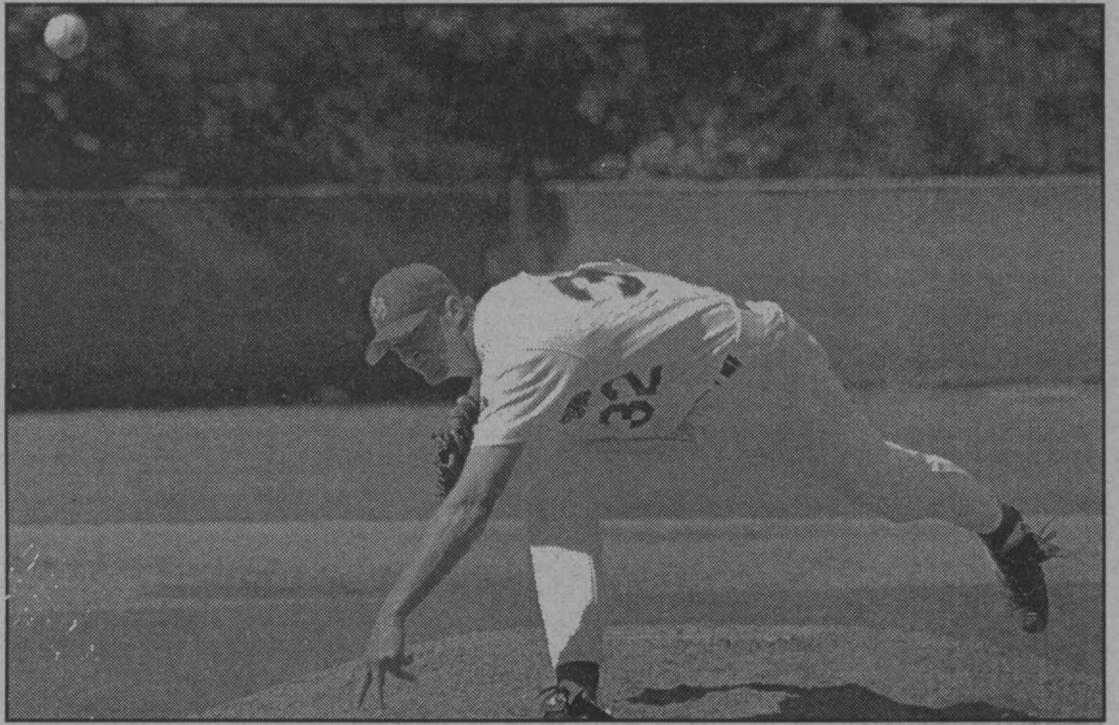
LBSU went 0-4 last week, being swept in three games by Big West Conference foe Cal State Fullerton last weekend and dropping a decision to UCLA this past Tuesday. It heads into the contest tonight at 7 at Blair Field with a 26-20-1 overall record. The 49ers' skid has

knocked them out of the Top 25 rankings this week and into second place in the Big West Southern Division, with a conference mark of 17-7.

Santa Barbara has buoyed to third place in the Southern Division by virtue of its sweep of Cal Poly a week ago. The Gauchos are currently 16-23-2 overall and 10-13 in the Big West. UCSB has been feeling pretty good of late due to its improved play.

"The key players who need to produce are starting to produce now," said junior reliever Daniel Martinez. "The key guys are starting to drive the runs in, and the pitchers who need to pitch well are doing their jobs."

While Long Beach has struggled, it still has a dangerously potent weapon in the lineup. Third



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DAILEY DUTY: Sophomore Matt Dailey and the UCSB baseball team look to secure a foothold in the Big West playoff picture against Long Beach State tonight, Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

baseman Paul Day, from Mission Viejo, has been tearing up the Big West. The junior is batting .441 on the year and a monstrous .495 in conference action. He leads the

49ers with 82 hits, 61 runs, 34 walks, 17 stolen bases, 57 RBIs and 10 home runs. LBSU freshman Jason Berni also has a 20-game hit streak on the line.

Santa Barbara will counter the offensive fireworks that LBSU is capable of with freshman right-hander Bing Cain (4-4, 6.09 ERA) tonight.

Quality Field of Throwers, Middle Distance Runners Highlights Invitational

BY NATHAN ELSTON
Reporter

For the first time in its 22-year history, the UCSB Nick Carter Invitational will be held without the presence of its namesake, who passed away last year at the age of 95.

In 1927, Nick Carter was the fastest miler in the world, recording a time of 4 minutes, 16.7 seconds. Carter made his way to Santa Barbara, where he served as the head track and field coach from 1934-1936 and 1940-1963. As the preeminent authority on track and field in the area, Carter was always involved in the sport he loved.

"He never minded sharing his opinion with people, and he never stopped telling me how to coach," said present-day UCSB Head Coach Pete Dolan. "He took a road trip with the team to Occidental two years ago, and he was great — acting like he was 20 years old."

Seventeen years ago, Dolan himself competed at this meet, running the 1,500 meters in a quick 3:51.8.

"It's a smaller invitational with good throws and select good events," he said. "There's a good atmosphere at this meet for people to get good marks."

On Saturday morning at Pauley Track on the UCSB campus, the men's and women's hammer throw will kick off the meet at 10. At 11:30, the remainder of the events will begin at Carter Track on the Santa Barbara City College campus. Running events get underway at 12:45 p.m. with the men's steeplechase.

Athletes from Westmont, Pomona-Pitzer and Cal State Bakersfield will comprise a majority of the entries, with a few local individuals rounding out the competition.

While this will be the season finale for some Gauchos, others see this weekend as a late season tune-up in preparation for the Big West Championships, held May 22-23 in Boise, Idaho.

"I'm looking forward to it because it should be a fast race," said senior middle distance runner Alan Roberts. "There's no pressure, so people should bust out. I want to see the other guys do really well."

Traditionally a strong meet in the 1,500 meters, this edition of the Carter Invitational promises more of the same. The women's competition is especially promising, with three UCSB athletes looking to break 4:35. This year also features a quality field in the throwing events.

Senior Jenna Endres will be looking to improve on her own school record in the hammer throw, as well as get a toss that will be good enough to get her to nationals.

"We've been in the heaviest part of our training so far, but we're beginning to lighten up this next week," the environmental science and zoology major said. "I've thrown well in warm-ups, but I need to get a good mark."

Assistant coach Kristin von Teuber, who will also be competing in the 1,500 meters, hopes to get good student turnout for the meet.

"It's the first home meet after the [Intercollegiate Athletics Initiative] passed," she said. "Hopefully, people will want to catch Gaucho athletics on the rise."

GaUCHO Softball Plays for Pride This Week

BY MATT HURST
Staff Writer

There will be no Gatorade showers at Campus Diamond this year.

With its hopes of Big West Conference Tournament play dashed, the UCSB softball team will round out its season with four games this weekend and a make-up doubleheader on Tuesday. The Gauchos will travel south to meet Long Beach State on Friday and Cal State Fullerton on Saturday, then play Cal State Northridge at Campus Diamond in their season finale.

Santa Barbara, Fullerton and LBSU are all in the midst of tough times, with each losing its last two games. CSUF has lost its last four. This obviously makes each team hungry for wins, but UCSB Head Coach Liz Kelly thinks the Gauchos can take some games on the Big West rivals' home fields.

"Long Beach just got swept by Utah State, and we split with Utah State," said the fourth-year coach. "So that's something positive for us, going into the game. We split

with Fullerton the first time out; they just lost a couple to Fresno [State], and they've lost their last four in a row. So everyone at this point is really battling. It will just



Tonya Dias

be who can stick it out. I think that if we get our bats back on track this weekend, we will be fine."

Losers of eight of their last 10, the Gauchos have found their bats quiet as of late. Scoring only 12 runs in their last 10 games, the Gauchos might be able to win their last six matchups if they can put some runs on the board. The pitching staff has kept the team in the games, but lately it seems as if left fielder Tonya Dias is the only one

hitting the ball. Dias is leading the team in hits, runs, batting average, home runs, stolen bases, slugging percentage, total bases, and is third in RBIs. Yet the rest of the team is only hitting .251.

This weekend could prove a true test to the offense as it faces two-time Pitcher of the Week in LBSU's Kristi Fox. Fox pitched two shutouts this week, and this could prove a huge challenge if the Gauchos show up with the offense they have had lately.

If Santa Barbara is to remain close this weekend, it will rely heavily on the arms of its pitchers. Led by sophomore Jennifer Tolton, the pitching staff has been consistent throughout the season. The Gauchos have held opponents to a .248 batting average while posting a 2.25 ERA. The pair of freshman on the staff, Teresa Tolson and Abby Murphy, haven't pitched too shabbily either. Tolson is 8-5, to go along with three saves, and boasts a team-low 1.38 ERA. Murphy is second with a 1.65 ERA and 23 strikeouts. If these pitchers can keep up their ways,



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GOOD EYE: The Gauchos haven't fared that well in Big West play this season, but they already have plans for next year.

then winning all four games this weekend doesn't seem out of the picture.

Missing out on the playoffs with a 24-21 record (8-16 in the Big West) and tied for last in one of the best conferences in the country,

Santa Barbara can only hope for an above .500 record, something that eluded it last season as it went 24-35. If UCSB can win two of their last six, then the team can use its record as a building block for next season — the Gauchos are not losing any players to graduation.