



Kwanzaa

These dancers help celebrate unity and diversity in the Kwanzaa ceremony sponsored by the Black Student Union held in the Santa Rosa formal lounge Thursday evening. Kwanzaa is a celebration of African American heritage, but is open to all, as it focuses on looking to the past for guidance on the future.

UC Wants to Keep Appeal Option **Open for Age Discrimination Case**

A motion filed Wednesday by University attorneys has raised questions of whether they will appeal a U.S. District Court's finding in favor of a Chicano Studies professor's age discrimi-nation claims against UCSB. Saying they have not decided

whether they intend to appeal the October ruling for Cal State University Northridge Professor Rudy Acuña, UC counsel submitted a motion to extend the deadline for filing an appeal by 30 days, according to University attorney Ian Fellerman.

"The University has not decided whether it's going to ap-peal," he said. hear a ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Audrey Collins on whether the campus must instate Acuña or instead award him \$326,800 in recompense for his victory, according to Fellerman.

Collins received arguments from the UC supporting the fi-nancial award and from Acuña's attorneys supporting the instate-ment last month and could rule any time.

Acuña attorney Moisés Vazquez interpreted the move to mean the UC plans to appeal.

"They're playing some proce-dural game," he said. "I think they probably will appeal." Acuña filed suit in 1992 after

State of I.V. Housing the Subject of Report Conclusions Questioned by Local Residents

By Jeff Brax Staff Writer

creasingly dilapidated, over- low the county to tap into local crowded and badly in need of redevelopment monies as well government redevelopment as apply for state and federal monies, two Santa Barbara housing grants. County officials told an I.V. au- The project, v dience Thursday.

county affordable housing sults, according to Ruby. program coordinator, presented the results of a pair of there were only 30 percent surveys — one on local demo- non-students. There's a gengraphics and another on hous- eral number that's been thrown ing and infrastructure condi- around for years that Isla Vista tions — to the I.V. Community is now 50 percent non-student, Enhancement Committee but our survey showed 70 per-Thursday.

Several audience members The demographic survey, then questioned the surveys' based on door-to-door interaccuracy, while others claimed the report overemphasized the

negative aspects of the I.V. housing scene.

The surveys' data, compiled last spring and first issued in re-Housing in Isla Vista is in- port form in November, will al-

The project, which does not include residents of Francisco Housing consultant Susan Torres, yielded a number of un-Ehrlich and Susan Ruby, expected and interesting re-

"The biggest surprise to me is cent student," she said.

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Youngsters Get a Little Help From Funds

By Kerri Webb Reporter

Center, which offers day care to the youngsters of students, staff and faculty, is taking advantage fornia State Dept. to help some students whose children attend the program, according to Mary Ray, UCC director. The grant was in addition to a \$50,000 grant that enables us to provide child care to eligible low-income students with children at no cost to them," she said. "This really supports the single mother to pursue her education without having to worry about the high costs of child care." Junior philosophy major Dio Simmons is among the students whose children benefit from the funds.

The center has 150 youngsters enrolled, ranging from 3 months to 5 years old, she said. Fees paid by the parents largely fund this

The original deadline for filing an appeal is Jan. 17, Fellerman added.

The reason for the extension is to give the University time to

he was denied a professorship at UCSB.

-Tim Molloy

A new \$160,000 grant is giving some student parents the opportunity for free child care as they pursue their educations. The University Children's

Students

"[The center] has a grant so I don't have to pay for child care and enables me to attend school," she said.

Simmons' 31/2 -year-old daughter Darian Baknole-Miranda also appreciates the opportunities the program offers. "I like to play and read books," Darian said of her favorite activities at the UCC.

The center, located at the university's West Campus, provides a quality child-care program while promoting a supportive learning environment, according to Ray.

ethnically and economically diverse program, Ray added.

The facility has 16 preschool instructors, 14 toddler teachers and 10 infant caretakers, all of whom are licensed in child care, Ray said. The program's semirural setting surrounds the Devereux Center and contains four different playgrounds.

"We have a warm faculty, complete with a wonderful physical facility that provides exceptional child care for the students, staff and faculty of UCSB," Ray said. The UCC also provides un-

ique educational opportunities for campus academic departments, according to Ray.

"The center is open for students who are interested in interning and working preprofessional hours directly with our children," she said. "We have a number of students who volunteer for us as well."

The center is a fully accredited program that began in 1970 and operates partly from a \$3 registration lock-in fee paid by university students.

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Student Faculty Conduct Committee probably does not show all of the incidents of dishonesty, according to Assistant Dean of Students Joseph Navarro. "I think there is a lot of cheat-

ing that goes on that isn't caught," he said.

Last quarter saw 11 incidents And the aggregate data in the of plagiarism, 29 of cheating and 1994-95 Final Report from the one use of a ringer during a test,

according to the report.

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To ensure fairness, students accused of cheating go through a process similar to a trial, according to Navarro. After an investigation of any incidents, the accuser and student are brought before an eight-person panel, he said.

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Number of Students Caught Cheating 1994 Number 10 of Students 6 Fall '94 Winter '95 Quarter Source: Student Faculty Conduct Co

Report Chronicles Dishonesty By Peter Sansom

Staff Writer



A new report issued by the as-

HEADLINERS

President Subject of Gingrich's Attack

NAPA (AP) — A group of Republican supporters got a taste of Washington squabbling Thursday when House Speaker Newt Gingrich called in an attack on President Clinton over the failed budget talks.

Gingrich, who was scheduled to appear at a fund-raising luncheon for Rep. Frank Riggs (R-Napa), got stuck in Seattle when there were problems with the landing gear on a private plane he's been using.

So instead of a personal appearance, the 700 people who paid \$200 a head to dine with Gingrich at the Silverado Country Club listened to the speaker over a loudspeaker.

He accused the president of misrepresenting the GOP's position on the budget.

For one thing, he said, the latest Republican proposal would increase spending on Medicaid and Medicare, not cut it as President Clinton said.

Gingrich said the most recent GOP proposal would raise annual spending for senior citizens from last year's \$4,800 each to \$7,100 by the end of the seven-year program to balance the budget.

Furthermore, he said, the earned income tax credit would jump more than 234 percent.

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Clinton rhetorically.

In Washington, Clinton said he and congressional Republicans still could resolve their differences over balancing the federal budget despite Gingrich's pessimism.

"There is no need to have a shutdown again," he said.

In a news conference, Clinton said "we are not

Why do you [Clinton] call your program changes dollar savings, yet characterize ours as cuts?

House speaker

hard work to genuinely help solve the budget problem and getting to a balanced budget being misrepresented again and again using the power of the White House," Gingrich said.

"Why do you call your program changes dollar savings, yet characterize ours as cuts?" he asked

that far apart" on budget issues, and agreement is possible despite "some thorny difficulties" that remain.

"We ought to resolve the policy issues we can resolve, and put the ones we can't to the side," Clinton said. "There will be plenty of things to argue about in the election season."

Gingrich bragged about the GOP's accomplishments, noting legislative reform, the balanced budget amendment that passed in the House, and that Congress has passed a line-item veto. He said the party's only major loss, term limits, would be tried again next year. He called for a capital

gains tax cut to encourage investment in business and agriculture, a \$500 per-child tax credit and an estate tax reduction.

Gingrich said a balanced budget would cut interest rates by about 2 percent, saving about \$37,000 over the life of an average 30-year mortgage. He also said the GOP

would never back down. "I believe what Ronald Reagan, used to say, that no deal is better than a bad

deal," he said. "We are not going to accept a budget deal that is phony, a budget deal that raises taxes.

Before the luncheon, about 75 protesters paraded outside, chanting "shame on you."

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lis Buria Former French Head Paid Tribute at

PARIS (AP) - François Mitterrand was laid to rest Thursday with his own thoughts on life and death ringing in the ears of the kings, princes and presidents who came to



Notre Dame cathedral to bid him farewell.

"Is there not, in man, a bit of eternity that death gives birth to?" Mitterrand mused in recently published writings, which Cardinal Jean-Marie Lustiger quoted in his eulogy. Mitterrand, the Social-

ist who led France longer than anyone else this century, died Monday of pros-tate cancer at 79.

In accordance with his wishes, a simultaneous ceremony for relatives and friends was held in his hometown of Jarnac, in southwest France. Mitterrand's body, which had been flown out from Paris at dawn, was placed in his family's tomb there.

In Paris, some 250 world leaders and dignitaries slowly filed into the packed cathedral, taking their places in small wooden and wicker chairs facing Lustiger's pulpit. African presidents and Saudi princes arrived in bright, flowing robes, accompanied by wives and

uniformed generals. Mitterrand's longtime friend and political ally, Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany, shed tears as a choir sang. The two leaders, who had held hands during a recent World War I commemoration, were together the strongest promoters of the European Union.

Vice President Al Gore sat in the second row behind the president of Togo. Russia's Boris Yelt-sin, Britain's Prince Charles, Cuba's Fidel Castro, Spain's King Juan Carlos, Sweden's King Carl XVI and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak were among those seated in the front row reserved for heads of state.

On the plaza outside, hundreds watched a large screen broadcasting the Mass.

"The whole world sent its leaders to salute Francois Mitterrand," Loic Ducos, a 19-year-old philosophy student, said as he watched the screen before Mass began. "I'm really very happy and honored to

be here. I'll remember this for the rest of my life."

At Mitterrand's birthplace, Jarnac, the service was off-limits to all but about 200 relatives and close friends, but loudspeakers carried the funeral Mass to the crowds that gathered outside St. Pierre Church. Mitterrand's parents were married in the austere 12th-century stone chapel, and he was baptized and received his first communion there.

At least 10,000 mourners more than doubled Jarnac's population. People began lining the streets near the church well before dawn, massing behind steel police barricades in hopes of one last glimpse of their former leader.

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Weather

I've heard reports from the field that some of you out there want to see more weather in your eather. Well, I can't promise you more, but I'll make an effort to include some climate information every day (like I have this week). If the kind of ramblings, ravings and whatever that occupy the bulk of this space don't grab you, just skip on down to the last paragraph and you can get what you need. Coming up is another long weekend (the first of this year, actually). We've only been at this school thing for about seven days now and already we're getting a break. I've got a feeling '96 is going to be one of those cool years. By the way, we're currently in the Final Four (percent) of this century. Kinda cool, huh? I dunno. I saw Babe in Campbell Hall last night. I think if I was going to come back (or even come forth) as a non-human animal, I'd be a parrot. Obviously, I like the talking and preening aspect of it. Plus, I'd get to snack on seeds and fruits (which is a lot better than many things). Anyway, From this time forward I'd like to be known, not as the Weatherperson, but rather as the Weatherhuman. Which brings me back to the weather for the weekend. Look for a continuance of beautiful weather, say "hi" to blizzard refugees you might encounter around town. At night it will tend to get cold. If you've already been out at night you know this, but if you're the kind of student who carouses only on the weekend, I'm letting you know.

"We're just tired of our Newt Gingrich

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Clip Used in Campaign Ad

– Pat Buchanan (**AP**) used a quick image of the exploding Challenger in a TV ad to show he helped the country heal after a national crisis



In Concord, where the decade-old image is more than a distant news event, it has opened old wounds, and Buchanan said Thursday he would change it.

"It looks like we are being used," Michael Garrett, assistant principal at Concord High School, where astronaut Christa McAuliffe taught, said of the ad.

The Republican presidential candidate's ad contains a clip of the explosion, followed by a photo of Buchanan at

CONCORD, N.H. President Reagan's side. Buchanan said he will delete images of the explosion "out of sensitivity" for the family of McAuliffe. She and six other space shuttle crew members were killed in the disaster

10 years ago this month. "We'll change that par-

ticular little slide or picture as soon as we can ... out of concern for the family," Buchanan said during a campaign swing through Iowa.

His campaign said the image, along with those of the Vietnam War and the shooting of Reagan, was used to show that Buchanan stood with Presidents Nixon and Reagan in tough times and helped them guide the country beyond the crises.

"Through triumph and tragedy ... I served the two most important presidents of our time," Buchanan says in the ad.

Are Blocked From Transfer

Funds in Marcos Account

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - A federal appeals court has blocked the transfer of the late Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos' Swiss bank accounts to the United



States, where the money is claimed by 10,000 victims of human rights violations.

The accounts contain \$475 million, according to Philippine press reports. The money is claimed by both the Philippine government, which says Marcos stole public funds, and by victims of abuses during Marcos' tenure.

Honolulu, where the deposed president fled before dying in 1989, found ments or indicate when a Marcos responsible for ruling was likely.

summary executions, disappearances and tortures and awarded nearly \$2 billion to 10,000 people.

On Dec. 11, U.S. Dis-trict Judge Manuel Real of Los Angeles ordered Credit Suisse and Swiss Bancorp to transfer Marcos' Swiss accounts to a fund in Los Angeles for the human rights victims. But Judge Stephen Trott of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals blocked Real's order 11 days later, and a three-judge panel of the court extended the stay this week.

The court allowed the banks to keep the funds at least until a decision on their appeal of Real's order. The panel shortened its usual timetable for written arguments, ordering A federal court jury in them filed between Feb. 2 and March 14, but did not set a date for oral argu-

Fulbright Scholarships Let Students Chase Knowledge Around the Globe

By Sonya Hamasaki Reporter

Helping graduate students pursue their studies beyond their home campuses, the Fulbright Scholarship program offers annual opportunities for a select group of students to visit other countries.

Former U.S. Sen. William J. Fulbright founded the scholarship in 1946 as an international exchange program for the world's finest graduates. Campus organizers now believe the program is vital to helping students.

"We believe the Ful-

bright is an essential ingredient in preparing our students to succeed in an international world," said religious studies Professor Richard Hecht, a member of the campus Fulbright Selection Committee.

Administered by the Institute of International Education, a branch of the U.S. Information Agency, the Fulbright program not only sends select graduate students abroad but also involves the United States, hosting hundreds of students from across the globe, according to Sheryl Reimers, assistant director of Graduate Admissions and Financial Support.

In the 1994-95 school year, nine campus graduate students received the fellowship and are now using it in different host countries, according to Reimers.

"Students are selected upon the feasibility of their proposed research project, the relevance of it, maturity and the individual's ability to represent the United States," she said.

ited States," she said. Fulbright scholarships provide for travel costs, reasonable living expenses and educational tuitions for students' academic year abroad, according to

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Bance fall

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Planting Day: Prepare to Get Dirty

In an attempt to make the community more aesthetically pleasing, the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District will hold a volunteer planting day Saturday in Perfect Park.

The event, the fourth planting day held at the park, will involve greenery native to the region, according to IVRPD Assistant General Manager Derek Johnson.

"When the land was purchased at Perfect Park, it was decided that only plants native to the local gene pool would be included. We are limited to plants that are native to the coastline. Some of the plants are oak trees, sycamores and black sage," he said.

The district is counting on many volunteers to come out and help with the project — previous planting days have drawn as many as 40 people, according to Pegeen Soutar, an IVRPD board director.

"There's lots of different jobs to do. Some people are digging holes, some people are mulching and some people do watering," she said.

Although this is the fourth planting day at the park, Soutar said she would like to see similar events held for other I.V. recreation areas.

"A lot of our parks are already developed, but they could use some maintenance," she said.

While volunteers are needed, planting equipment is not. About 400 plants will be provided, along with shovels and other tools, according to Johnson. "All you need to bring is your smile and

"All you need to bring is your smile and some sunscreen," he said.

Soutar believes the event will be a fun experience for all, but she has some words of warning for those who do volunteer.

"We get a lot of people back from the one before. But a word to the people who come: Prepare to get dirty," she said.

-James Fagen

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Members of African American Campus Groups Discuss Their Role

By Colleen Valles

ith this faith, we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beauti-ful symphony of brotherhood," Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. told a crowd of thousands at the March on

Washington, Aug. 28, 1963. This "jangling discord" is still resounding, some believe, more than 30 years after King spoke these words. The insti-tution of organizations which focus on race may have some people wondering if King's message of brotherhood is being carried on, or if these groups are contributing to a divisive society.

Campus organizations such as historically black sorori-ties and the Black Student Union believe King's message is still pertinent, and through education and community ser-

Recognizing differences doesn't mean you can't come together. Once we make a commitment to living those words, it won't be just a dream anymore.

> Anedra Harper president Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.

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vice are striving to protect and further his dreams today. Many, including those who belong to groups such as these, maintain that they celebrate culture and bring all people together through education.

Anedra Harper, president of Sigma Gamma Rho Soror-ity, Inc., believes her organization educates members of the community as well as others about African American culture.

"It's a support network for people within the commun-ity," she said. "It definitely adds to the diversity of the cam-pus, especially culturally, because a lot of students don't know anything about other cultures except their own."

Special interest organizations at the university are a way of perpetuating King's call for understanding among the races, according to Harper. "With his message of together-ness, there was a recognition of differences," she said. "Recognizing differences doesn't mean you can't come together. Once we make a commitment to living those words, it won't



be just a dream anymore."

According to BSU member and Goodspeed intern Yas-min Tarver, however, groups focusing on one race or culture can be beneficial to the campus atmosphere, but they

do have the potential to be destructive. "I do see a trend of students grouping together on cam-pus, and it is both good and bad," she said. "Usually, stu-dents like to hang with students they have a commonality with. I don't think it's a bad thing if students also hang with students they don't have something in common with."

Harper believes these groups encourage understanding of various cultures. "We serve to educate each other," she said. "We exist to educate our community and the surrounding community. It helps to perpetuate that culture and strengthen 'diversity."

Through community activities and education, as well as serving as examples, members of these organizations can in-fluence people's perception of their culture and individual differences, according to Harper.

"We offer information about ourselves," she said. "We offer ourselves as role models — different examples of people who are similar and different."

Different groups face different challenges, and ethnically focused organizations help their members understand and deal with these challenges, according to Julia Boyd, presi-dent of UCSB's chapter of the NAACP.

"There are different things that go on in different cul-tures," she said. "At those meetings, it's where they explain those things. Even people who are of that culture are getting educated as well as people who aren't of that culture." These organizations are not exclusively for people of one

race, as they are accepting of people of all cultures, accord-

ing to Boyd. "I don't think it's necessarily a cultural thing," she said. "Like the NAACP ... it's open to everybody. I try to make this organization as diverse as possible. The organization is open to everybody, no matter what color.'

Tarver also emphasized that the student group is open to all despite its focus on one race and its issues. "We do no more than what other students do," she said.

"There's a focus on ethnic and racial organizations because we're ethnic and racial, and most students feel they can't come to our meetings because [the meetings are] African American.'

This view is mistaken, according to Tarver. "We welcome anyone to come and learn about what we're doing," she said.





Interview by Suzanne Garner

Julia Boyd, a junior business economics major, is the chapter president of the National Association for the Advancement of

Colored People. Daily Nexus: What is the role of the NAACP on campus? Boyd: Santa Barbara isn't as diverse as

UCLA or Berkeley. This chapter was, I feel, established in order to promote a lot of unity and diversity within all the different nationalities that are here. The general purpose of the organization is to promote unity on the UCSB campus as well as in the Santa Barbara community in general.

One thing we try to do is, say for example, a student is having a problem with a profes-sor and they feel that it is racially motivated. Then if the student comes to us, we'll take action and see what's exactly happening. So students have a place to come to rather than maybe going to an ombudsman person. Not a lot of students know that. They see the NAACP nationally as a very political organi-zation, but here on the UCSB campus we're pretty much allowed to do whatever we want.

The organization was founded [on cam-pus] on July 15, 1992. It did a lot of educational things about the riots that occurred in L.A. There was a lot of tension, I don't know



Julia Boyd

if you remember back then. I heard that there was a gathering in Storke Plaza right after the verdict, a lot of people were very upset, so the NAACP did a lot of things that were to calm the students down.

What I've tried to do this year is I've continued with the same events that have hap-

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pened. Like we had a faculty-staff reception in which we tried to break down the racial barriers once again, open up communication lines between faculty, students and staff.

... By students talking to professors, this helps the retention of UCSB students. A lot of students, they kind of feel isolated on this campus. They don't feel very comfortable on this campus when they first come here. ... When this community is not trying to comfort you, it's kind of difficult.

Other events that we have in addition to the reception are our unity dance, which we're going to be holding Friday, Jan. 26. One large event is our "excellence awards" at the end of the year where we invite all student groups.

Nexus: How many members do you have? Boyd: We have about 20 members, 20 paid members. There's a lot of people who come in and out and participate. At our unity dance this year, we're going to be giving people memberships once they buy a ticket. We're not sure how much we'll charge for the dance, but the memberships are \$3. Nexus: How, if at all, do you feel Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s message of social integration and peaceful change is still relevant today?

Boyd: I think definitely there is peaceful change. I know on this campus there really

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Charrise Lockhart, president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., believes cultural interest organizations allow members to focus on issues pertinent to their community.

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CHEAT: Suspension Can Follow Getting Caught

Continued from p.1 The panel includes four students appointed by Associated Students, three professors on the Academic Senate and one graduate student selected by the Graduate Student Association.

Punishment can come in the form of one-, two- or three-quarter suspensions, according to Navarro. Students usually receive longer suspensions for premeditated actions, such as bringing notes to read during a test, he added.

One student was suspended for three quarters last year after trying to evade punishment after a professor caught her allegedly cheating, according to Navarro. "A student was accused

of cheating in a class last year and she gave a false name to the professor," he said. "Then she tried to run out of the class and had to be apprehended by students.'

Chemistry Professor

David Harris caught roughly 30 students trying to cheat on his Chemistry 1C final last spring.

"Some students came up to me after the midterm and said that they didn't want to rat on anybody, but they were concerned about some students that

There are enough dishonest people in the world already.

they thought were cheat-ing," he said. While Harris had told suspensions, he said. results of cheating prevent

students that all the tests were identical, the last 11 questions were different on every other exam, he said.

"A significant number of people had the right answers on the wrong tests," he said. "So I sent the results in to Navarro and he



went to a hearing, where many of them admitted guilt and received leniency, according to Na-varro. Because the incident was not premeditated, the students received only one-quarter

David Harris

chemistry professor

many students from ever

"Cheating sucks be-

cause you are so anxious

test," said Enrique Schan-

taking the risk.

freshman.

Sceamac Salemi said he avoids cheating because of the effect it could have on his academic career.

"It's too risky because if you get caught, you're screwed for graduate school," he said. "Plus, you are just cheating yourself out of learning the material."

Students should set examples of integrity as fu-ture leaders and important community members, according to Harris.

"There are enough dishonest people in the world already," he said. "Graduates from UCSB are going to eventually take positions of responsibility, so they should be honest." The potential negative

Navarro said he is encouraged by the fact that most cheaters acknowledge their wrongdoing and take responsibility for their mistakes.

about getting caught that you don't focus on the "It isn't worth it," he dez, an undeclared said. "It is better to fail an exam than to get caught cheating."



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OPINION

"Dreaming permits each and every one of us to be quietly and safely insane every night of our lives."

-William Dement

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The White Ma

Ron Garcia

The times are a-changing. By the 1996 election, all 50 states will have passed their own version of Prop 187. Also on the California agenda for the 1996 election will be the Civil Rights Initiative ban on Affirmative Action. There exists a public outery

There exists a public outcry that Affirmative Action is prejudicial and unfair to white Americans. The angry white male Americans are unconcerned about the unfair hiring practices committed against minorities or that history re-peats itself or even that "Man's greatest inhumanity is done to Man." The only injustice that some Americans are never have a color-blind soci-

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A Ploy by Supervisors is Only an Attempt to Frighten Voters

Editorial

A report outlining the potential fiscal impacts of Measure A ordered by the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors is not only premature and unprecedented but an outright attempt to deceive voters.

Measure A is an initiative which will be on the March ballot that, if approved, will give voters the opportunity to overrule any board approval of new oil-drilling projects slated for outside of two designated sites. The measure would mandate that any approval be automatically submitted to voters for approval.

The initiative is intended to serve as a check that the board is acting in county residents' best interest and not simply catering to certain companies' plans.

The only costs that would directly arise from the measure's passage would be the expense of holding an election if a project is ever put to a vote. However, the supervisors are mandating the development of a financial impact analysis to be placed on the ballot. The fact that the eight other coastal counties with such a measure already in place never conducted such a study prior to submittal to voters'

Despite the fact that the passage of Measure A in no way ensures a loss in oil production or related revenue, Geiss is cloaking this report as the direct impacts of the initiative. The document threatens voters with multimillion-dollar property tax and oil revenue losses and asserts that these funds would definitely be lost if Measure A passes.

Fortunately, local resident Sandra Nash, represented by Environmental Defense Center senior staff attorney Linda Krop, has filed court papers to delete the portions of the statement from election pamphlets, leaving only the incremental amounts that would actually be involved with holding further elections.

The only thing accomplished by this report, if allowed to go on the ballot without alteration, would be the deception of voters who turn to the statement for information to make their decision. The inclusion of these fiscal impacts would only scare voters into thinking their pockets will automatically suffer as their say increases.

The appropriate time for a fiscal impact report addressing oil-related revenue sources is if the county is actually threatened by the loss of such a source, i.e., if Measure A passes, the board approves a project and there is actually a concrete issue at hand for voters to consider. At this point, Geiss' report is nothing but purposefully misleading propaganda aimed at discouraging voters from approving an initiative that would give them greater influence in the development of the county and stand as a check against the Board of Supervisors.

The Reader's Voice

Personal Decision

Editor, Daily Nexus: Over the past year, there have been several occasions when I have wanted to respond to a Nexus opinions article. I never did so in the past because I didn't think I had anything important to say. But Peggy Semingson's column (Daily Nexus, "Abortion Robs Mothers, Children and Fathers of Life," Jan. 11) pushed

me over the edge. I would like to say that while I don't agree with Ms. Semingson's column, I do respect her opinion. It seems to me that she is writing about something she knows little about. I'd like to offer something - my personal experience. I've experienced both the agony of an abortion and the joy of having two healthy baby boys. I got pregnant during my senior year of high school. I was one of those people who was ignorant and didn't think it could happen my first time. But it did. We discussed what we should do. was 16 and had been accepted to UCI. My boyfriend was 17 and had been accepted to UCSB. Adoption wasn't an option for us. We both knew the difficulty of a biracial child being adopted. Also, what kind of parents would we have made? We were children ourselves. The only option we had was to have an abortion. On the flip side, I have had the joy of having two children and I hope to have many more. After I got married, I knew that I wanted to have children. In fact, I got pregnant after my first anniversary. I don't think that anyone can fully explain what it is like to have a baby you want growing inside of you. It is the most marvelous thing that I have ever experienced

Don't Believe It



approval makes this move appear suspicious.

But even more shady is county Controller Robert Geiss — in charge of drawing up the report — who went so far as to project not only the costs associated with a special election, but also what he believes will be a loss to the county of some current oilrelated revenue sources if the measure passes.

THINK, THEN WRITE, THEN READ

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Aale's Truth

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VINCENT LUCIDO/Daily Nexus bies should be born. We should take

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n sure you've heard the expresshat "babies are a blessing." In y cases that may be true, but the of the matter is that not all baa serious look at the quality of life that many of these babies have to look forward to.

Many of these children are being born to single parents, perhaps people with a chemical dependency, people without an education or people who just can't afford or don't want children.

I welcome pro-life advocates to explain why they aren't working toward programs to educate men



Film Violence Is Not to Blame for Society's Ills

Brian Uyehara

There has been much controversy regarding the issue of violence in film and television having a negative impact on society. Many people believe that such programming should be eliminated so kids won't turn bad and society could be a better place.

I say bull.

First of all, I question what exactly it is that should be eliminated. Violence comes in all forms and has always been in movies and been a part of our culture. While it is true that certain things are more violent than others, sometimes it is difficult to measure. It's kind of like asking which is more vi-

olent, football or hockey. For example, I generally like the martial arts genre of film and am not too much into westerns or gangster flicks. Of course, I've seen good westerns and bad martial arts movies, but who am I to say which are more violent? Who is anyone to say?

Certain kinds of violence are disturbing for me to watch, while others are entertaining, and I cheer as if I'm at a live sporting event. Frankly, I feel strongly that the news is the most violent show on TV, but you never hear about people wanting to ban the news.

Even the movie Pretty Woman, supposedly a cute romantic fairy tale, had a scene where Julia Roberts' character nearly gets assaulted until the hero, played by Richard Gere, comes to the rescue and beats up her attacker. I rooted for Gere, but that was definitely violent. Some may actually find an attempted assault scene to be very disturbing, even if the majority will agree that it is mellow compared to other types of violence.

There are studies that show that people who watch more violence commit more violent acts. However, I believe those people are already violent



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and women about birth control. It would be terrific if they were deve-loping programs which would improve the quality of life for the babies who are born. How many prolife advocates adopt the babies they "save"? Are these the same people who want to cut social programs that help these children?

I disagree when Ms. Semingson states that "having children is the main purpose of all our lives." The main purpose of my life is to be the best mother that I can be to my children.

I feel that there are as many wonen who can have children out there as there are men who can be sperm donors. The question is how many of those people can be great, nurturing parents. If the object of Ms. Semingson's article was to push buttons, I think she succeeded. She knocked abortion, homosexuality, liberal-minded university students, women's rights and political correctness. What she impressed upon me is the fact that she has a lot of living to do. I'm glad that she is here because the glory of being in a university setting is that we can be "openminded" instead of "closedminded." Why did I write this letter? Was it to clear my conscience? No, because I wouldn't change a thing that I've experienced in this life. It was just to show that not everything is so black and white. Every situation has a person attached to it, and I truly believe that we need to respect the opinions and decisions of those around us. ALICIA SPRINGER-PARDUE

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and aggressive to begin with, and watching the acts only gives them more influence to act violently. Watching such shows doesn't CAUSE violence.

I can believe that after watching an action show a kid can start getting more aggressive than one who hasn't, but I refuse to believe that kid will grow up to become deviant after just watching TV alone. Crime and deviance are caused by a number of other factors, such as a lack of values, peer pressure, etc.

After all, Japanese movies and TV shows are just as, if not more, violent than American ones. Yet Japan remains one of the safest countries in the world. Therefore, I don't think we can say that TV and movies are the cause of such actions.

Finally, violent movies can be inspirational and their heroes can serve as role models. Take kickboxing champion Cynthia Rothrock, who feels her movies can provide assurance that women can defend themselves and won't have to be victims of rape and other crimes. Clint Eastwood used to state that his roles were dream characters for men who were scared of their lives and would want to see the heroic brave man.

Whenever a minority emerges as a hero, people within the community of that race praise the image. African Americans can see Wesley Snipes or Denzel Washington in their violent films as heroic role models. Asian Americans remember Robin Shou playing Liu Kang in Mortal Kombat. They also have Bruce Lee. Latinos possibly have Andy Garcia or Antonio Banderas. Even minority women are starting to get into it, like Ming-Na Wen of Hong Kong 97 and Talisa Soto, who played Kitana in Mortal Kom-

bat. Violent movies can provide great heroes. There is no definite answer as to how to prevent crime, but I don't be-lieve that eliminating violence in the media is a solution. If anything, I think education is the best possible solution.

If media are really to blame for societal ills, why can't they be credited for educational messages? Many commercials are filled with "Learn to Read" and "Say No to Drugs" messages. You never hear people thank those messages as much as you hear people blame the violence. Brian Uyehara is a senior sociology major.

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Campus Comment

Would You Eat "Babe," the Gallant Pig?





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SURVEY

Continued from p.1 views at 294 I.V. housing units — a 7 percent sample - also revealed:

• a population of 16,617, an 18 percent increase over the 1990 census,

• an ethnic breakdown of 63 percent white, 21 percent Latino and 16 percent other,

 a non-student population of roughly 5,000, of which 49 percent are children,

• a mean rent of \$912, up from \$792 in the 1990 census,

• and an average household size of 3.58 people, up at least one person from 1990.

In addition, UCSB student interns conducted two sets of comprehensive walks through I.V., rating all residences, sidewalks, streets and gutters on a 1-to-4-point scale.

Of the 4,663 residential units surveyed, roughly has been toned down in half were declared the next draft, scheduled "sound," while another to be released today, ac-1.932 were "deficient" cording to Ehrlich. lacking major structural

erty manager Norma Geyer, however, who supervises roughly 150 units, believes much of the report's findings and wording will stigmatize I.V. and discourage banks and in-

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and all this language of ab-sentee landlords?" she said. "My concern down

the line is if we keep refer-

ring to Isla Vista in this way, it makes it very diffi-

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The report's language

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in Isla Vista," Ruby said. "It's a broad picture, a broad brush, and that's always what we intended. I've taken a lot of feedback from community members that they don't like that,

Is there any way to present this program without calling Isla Vista blighted and all this language of absentee landlords?

> Norma Geyer property manager Embarcadero Co.

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they want it to be detailed, they want it to be perfect ... but that's not what we intended."

Inaccuracies in the map in no way reflect problems with the information gathered, according to Ehrlich.

"I would say it's one of the best surveys ever in terms of data. The data is extremely accurate," she said.

In addition to the missing homes, the former Bel Aire apartments on the corner of Cordoba Road and Embarcadero del Norte are labeled "dilapidated," even though they were completely renovated this summer - after the data was collected. Some residents believe the report has a credibility problem. "We know this map is not accurate, but we haven't been given the documentation to determine the accuracy of the rest," said Ken Warfield. A revised draft of the surveys' findings should be available today, while the final report - which will include a study of housing funding sources and a five-year implemen-tation plan — should be completed in March, Ruby said. In addition, an ad hoc advisory committee of local residents and property owners will meet Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Community Services Center, 970 Embarcadero del Mar. The public is welcome.

defects but showing peeling paint, cracked plaster or other signs of deferred maintenance.

Another 324 units were in condition three, "deteriorated," and 94 were "dilapidated" - not fit for human habitation.

The "increasingly dila-pidated" residential conditions result from absentee landlords, inferior maintenance, minimal reinvestment and the age of I.V.'s housing stock, according to the report.

"The bulk of it is approaching 30 years old or more, and for most hous-ing ... that calls for rehabilitation in the mechanical structure," Ehrlich said. The poor housing con-

ditions highlighted in the report will make the county a more competitive force for such government monies as a \$500,000 California community block grant officials will apply for in April.

Embarcadero Co. prop-

Other audience members questioned the surveys' accuracy. Local resident Marie Crusin-berry said one of the reports' maps, showing each I.V. residence's physical condition, mislabeled her home as a vacant lot.

'Mine and another parcel are shown as blank, and there are structures there. I'm wondering how someone could miss structures there," she said. "To me, it makes a difference, because if this [map] isn't accurate, how can you say this whole thing is accurate?"

Ruby said that while the collected data is accurate, in transferring those numbers to a wall map and then shrinking the picture to fit on paper, some par-cel lines had to be esti-mated. The drafting error will in no way affect grant applications, she added. "What this is is a survey

for the state and federal government, to show general trends and who lives Daily Nexus

Commission in New York, where applicants undergo Friday, January 12, 1996 9



Kim Dougharty, wife of graduate student Houston Dougharty, appreciates the convenience of being able to drop off her 3-yearold daughter Allie.

GROUPS : Education, Unity a Focus

Continued from p.4

The activities and services the groups provide are not limited to the black community, according to Charrise Lockhart, president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. "Take Santa Barbara, for instance," she said. "There's not a large black population, but we don't limit our activities to only that community.

"On a national level, [we conduct] voter registration," she added. "We have a five-year contract with the NAACP to register voters. If we register people to vote, we're not going to say we're not going to register you because you're not black."

One benefit of participating in a sorority which concerns itself with topics specific to a certain ethnic group is the forum it provides for dealing with adverse forces affecting that group, according to Lockhart.

"It allows us to focus on issues that are pertinent to our community. We have a literacy program we do. We have an alcohol/drug awareness program. We are a community service organization."

Such outreach to the community is important in an area with a low African American population, and these groups create a sense of community and support for members, according to Harper.

"It offers people a place to come and be with people of similar backgrounds," she said. "It's easier for people to learn about each other. It gives some people a higher selfesteem. You need a foundation before you can reach out."

The number of minority students at UCSB — one of the least ethnically di-

verse campuses in the UC system — also necessitates the formation of groups with a specific ethnic interest, according to Boyd.

"When I came as a freshman, I definitely felt very isolated," she said. "With the arrival of the African American hall, such programs as that, the support of EOP — it's helped African American students to feel more comfortable."

Harper believes the administration, rather than students, has contributed to a feeling of isolation. "From students themselves, I. don't feel excluded," she said. "From the administration — the proverbial 'they' — I do." "There definitely is a

"There definitely is a status quo," she added. "There never will be more than 2 percent African Americans on this campus. There aren't enough retention programs for

people in high school. They want to bring people into the system, but they don't necessarily want to keep them there."

The needs of black students, such as retention, are better addressed in special interest organizations and provide a more comfortable atmosphere, according to Lockhart. "I don't feel that the

other sororities would have addressed my needs specifically," she said. "There are issues that black women face, that black women face. There's a lot of common goals that we face, a lot of common ground that we stand on. I feel more comfortable with black people."

Kristyn Fowkes, president of Alpha Phi Sorority, agrees that ethnically focused organizations give more time to race- and culture-specific issues. "The aims of our sorority



Ethnically focused groups help foster diversity and understanding, according to Anedra Harper, president of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.



has nothing to do with race," she said. "We don't deal with issues that deal with a specific race because we have so many."

While Fowkes' organization also provides services to the community, race is not a main concern, she said.

"We reach out to the community as a whole," she said. "There's never an issue of race. It's not something that comes up. Everyone accepts people for who they are, not what race they are."

Ethnically focused organizations are important in their provision of support, Fowkes added. "What's most important is that people are happy and involved where they want to be involved," she said.

Tarver believes King's words are still pertinent to race relations in America today, and that a reexamination of his teachings is beneficial to mending our social fabric.

"Recently, a lot of organizations are going back to look at Dr. King's messages," she said. "A lot of those speeches still pertain, and a lot of the remedies he had back then still apply today."

These special interest groups are making an effort to use King's preachings of tolerance. "We're still trying to uphold his ideas and ideologies," she said.

Using King's teachings is difficult and requires cooperation and compromise, however, and is not always successful, according to Boyd.

"Everybody's pretty much in the same boat, and we're all trying to help each other. Sometimes it doesn't work out."

NAACP

Continued from p.4 isn't anything too political. Students aren't marching and protesting through the halls. Social change? ... I think the hottest topic right now is Affirmative Action. Nexus: Dr. King advo-

cated equal treatment of all races. Some argue that Affirmative Action, in principle, contradicts this ideal. How do you think Dr. King would have addressed this issue?

Boyd: I think he would say, "Let's consider the fact that people of a historically disadvantaged background, 'historically disadvantaged' meaning they're African American or Hispanic, let's consider that because they lived in East L.A. they may not have the same advantages as somebody living in Be-verly Hills." I think that overall, what I've seen in my lifetime ... I'm half black and half Korean, sometimes, I mean, you'd think that I wasn't totally affected, but I am affected constantly by the African American side. A lot of times I feel disadvantaged. Nexus: Who do you look to, either locally or nationally, as leaders in the Civil Rights Movement now? Boyd: I mean, there's re-ally nobody out there

ally nobody out there who's political. A lot of people might say [Louis] Farrakhan, but I don't think of him as my leader. Individually, I think there are a lot of people who are trying to be leaders, like a lot of people on the Associated Students, and I look to them to represent us as students. But as far as somebody that I idolize, there's nobody. I don't think there's anybody out there who's really fighting for civil rights anymore.

I think that Farrakhan is trying to do a lot of things.

... I think that somebody who I see as a leader here on campus, and I've never had a class by him, is Prof Madison teaching civil rights, just trying to educate the students about the Civil Rights Movement. I see him as a leader.

Nexus: Do you regard Dr. King as one of the most admirable civil rights leaders?

Boyd: I would say he's the most admirable. On a personal level, he went to school with my father back at Morehouse. So he's kind of a little bit more personal. My family back in Atlanta, Georgia, they all know the King family. There's a close relationship, my brothers go to dinner over at their house. There's a closer relationship to the King family than most students have. It's a little bit closer to home. I'm not too sure how Malcolm X was, but I also see him as a leader. The two leaders, if someone were to ask me about civil rights, those are the two people who would come to mind.

Nexus: The NAACP has historically been a major part of the Civil Rights Movement. Do you think it continues to play a significant role?

Boyd: Definitely not. Due to the financial problems that the organization nationally has had, without money the organization has not been able to do what it would like, and our college chapter is trying to gather as much memberships as we can because we hope our little support will help.

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just been one of those years. We've had some bad luck with that."

Despite all the casualties, Santa Barbara is on an upswing, having won its last two conference games and standing in third place tied with Irvine. Long Beach State (2-0) and San Jose State (3-1) hold the top two spots, respectively, in the Big West. "I think we're playing

"I think we're playing better. We're getting better and we're playing smart.

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come to us, we are a better

offensive team," Pimm

said. "When we put it on

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what we're doing, when we rush shots, when we

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with guard Shawn Har-

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Neil McCarthy's Aggies

very good team."

assists, which is second in the league) and powerful in the frontcourt with 6'7" forward Enoch Davis, whose 14.1 ppg ranks 14th in the Big West.

The Gauchos counter with a potentially very effective offense that makes 7.6 baskets per game from behind the arc (second in the Big West). Santa Barbara seniors guard Danee Prince, forward Mark Flick and McDougal are three of the top six threepoint shooters in the

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ble to compete but suffered a scratched cornea in the Anteater game and must wear protective eye gear.

"The doctors say we can take [McDougal] on the trip, whether he plays or not on Saturday — we just have to wait and see how he does on Friday. Wesley has a possible broken nose and Ben Jefferson got stuck right in the middle of the eye," said UCSB Head Coach Jerry Pimm. "It's

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butterflies, but hopefully, we can get past them and hit all our routines."

Senior all-arounder David Cassie feels this year's team is better prepared for the

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Equally important are senior point guard Phillip Turner, who ranks fourth in the Big West in assists (5.1 apg) and second in free-throw shooting (.867), and Wallace, who is eighth in blocks per game (1.0) and who over the last eight games has scored in double figures each night with two double-doubles.

tough competition it is expected to face at the Open.

"This year as compared to last, I think we are definitely more prepared for what we will face when we get there," he said. "I think we've matured as a team and it will show during the competition."

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Women Hoopsters Take to T-Dome Tonight to Run Roadrunners Round ■ UCSB Hopes to Extend Five-Game Win Streak Against NMSU, UNLV

By Brian Berger Staff Writer

After winning two road games last week, the UCSB women's basketball team returns to the Thunderdome to play a pair of Big West Conference matches this weekend.

Tonight the Gauchos will play host to New Mexico State at 7:30, and will take to the court against UNLV on Sunday with a 2 p.m. tip-off time.

Santa Barbara (7-4 overall, 3-0 in the Big West) is riding a five-game win streak and is tied for the conference lead with the University of Hawai'i. In the opening three league games, UCSB has out-scored its opponents 243-172 for a 23.6-point av-

erage margin of victory. The Gauchos' success can be credited to their pressing defense, which has forced 26 turnovers per game. Offensively, junior guard Erin Alexan-der continues to lead the team with 20.5 points per contest, second in the Big West. Senior center Amy Hughlett anchors the frontcourt and leads the squad with 6.3 rebounds a game while adding 10.3 points.

"We are expecting New Mexico to play a lot of zone [defense]," said UCSB Head Coach Mark French. "It will be a little different for us because we have not seen much zone, but I think we will do real well against it."

While Santa Barbara has had little problem forcing turnovers on defense, the squad has protected the ball on the other end of the court. Senior point guard Dio Aguinaldo, who is questionable for the NMSU game due to a knee injury, has turned the ball over only six times in the last four games while dishing out 27 assists.

Defending Big West champion New Mexico State (8-6, 3-1) has won five of its last six contests and is led by forward Anita Maxwell. The 5'11" senior was last season's Big West Player of the Year and currently leads the conference in scoring with 23.9 points per game. In the Roadrunners' last game against University of the Pacific, Maxwell poured in 33 points and grabbed 18 rebounds.

"We are going to try to pressure the other players so much that they will not be able to find Anita," French said. "She's very good. She is going to get her points, we're not going to be able to shut her out.

Behind Maxwell in the scoring column is senior Share Johnson. The three-point specialist averages 10.1 ppg and shoots .438 from behind the arc.

UNLV will enter the 'Dome on Sunday afternoon and will look to improve on its disappointing season. The Runnin' Rebels (2-9, 1-3) have struggled lately, losing eight straight before they defeated the University of Nevada, Reno on Tuesday.

Guard Elana Adams leads the Rebel assault with 13.2 ppg and has a team-high 21 steals. Senior guard Loriessa Randle (10.7 ppg) will join Adams in the backcourt, while senior forward LeAnn Kazmer (10.1 ppg, 6.9 rebounds) anchors the Vegas frontline

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WRESTLEMANIA: UCSB junior guard Erin Alexander (left) is a gritty competitor and is the Gauchos' leading scorer.



GRACEFUL TAKEOFF: The Santa Barbara men's and women's swimming and diving squads take to the winter water to tackle the top 10 Trojans in a dual meet on the road.

Swimmers & Divers Go to L.A. for Tough **Trojan Meet; Divers to Compete at UCLA**



By Michael Cadilli Staff Writer

The UCSB men's basketball team takes on the New Mexico State Aggies and UNLV Runnin' Rebels on the road this weekend in what used to be the toughest part of the Gaucho schedule.

However, times have changed and the Rebels are no longer that perennial power and the NMSU program is in decline and on probation for academic violations. The result is that a power vacuum now exists in the Big West Conference, and Santa Barbara (5-6 overall, 2-1 in the Big West) hopes to continue its two-game winning streak and fill that void.

"Everyone's excited right

now. We have more confidence in the team and we feel we can get things done," said sopho-more forward Kealon Wallace. "Everybody has their head up high, but when we were losing, everybody had their heads down.'

UCSB heads to Las Cruces on Saturday to tangle with the Aggies (4-7, 1-2) and will probably be without its 18.7 points per game scorer in senior guard Le-lan McDougal. McDougal has been cleared by his doctor to do cardiovascular activity but cannot compete in game action until possibly Monday's contest against UNLV (4-7, 1-2) in Las egas. The Gauchos are still without

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By Steven Large Staff Writer

The UCSB men's and women's swimming and diving teams head to Los Angeles today to take on the tough Trojans.

This will be the first competition for the men's team since the Speedo Cup Dec. 2, while the women faced UC Berkeley and UCLA last weekend as their coming-home present from Winter Break.

"Over the last month or so, we haven't been focusing as much on competition as on our training," said senior captain Tim Gair. "Now we're starting to gear ourselves more toward it in practice."

The USC men are ranked 10th nationwide, not exactly the competition one would want to face after a monthlong sabbatical. But Gair isn't as concerned with the Trojan swimmers as he is with Santa Barbara's.

'USC is a great team, but what is going to determine how we do is us," he said. "We need

to get our minds back into racing and not go out there lazy." The Gaucho women have an

equally daunting task in facing their Trojan opponents - the USC women's team is also ranked in the top 10. UCSB faced top 25 Berkeley and top



Tim Gair

10 UCLA last weekend, so the athletes know what they can expect in the water today.

The women are going to be challenged again," said UCSB Head Coach Gregg Wilson. "It all depends on what kind of lineup they throw against us. If

they saw what happened with UCLA, they probably will throw out a good one."

Last weekend UCLA provided a somewhat lacking lineup and fell behind to Santa Barbara, forcing the Bruins to make some adjustments. They ended up beating the Gauchos 182-112; however, it wasn't the thrashing that UCLA expected.

The UCSB diving teams will stay in L.A. after today's meet to compete in this weekend's UCLA Diving Invitational, which will host about 10 Division I and Division II schools.

"Our divers can hold their own," Wilson said. "I think it will be a little bit easier to perform at the Rose Bowl. I think it will be a real good setup."

The Gaucho men will take only two divers on the trip because of injuries, but the women's team is expected to bring all five, including freshmen Cassie Day, Lindsey Hill and Courtney Miller, who earlier this season qualified for the NCAA zone meet.

UCSB Gymnasts Go to War With **Spartans in First Meet of 1995-96**

By Chris Oyama Staff Writer

The UCSB men's gymnastics team will take to the road, heading north to compete in this weekend's Spartan Open in San Jose.

With 12 teams expected to show up, the meet should provide a good indication of how the Gauchos will fare in perhaps the toughest region in the country. The competition will also count in terms of qualifying for future meets that the team hopes to make.

"This meet is an important meet for us," said Gaucho Head Coach Mircea Badulescu. "With our rather small squad, we are only taking eight, so it is important that we perform well, especially early in the season."

little nervous and hope they can shake off the first-meet jitters

and deliver strong performances, according to senior cocaptain Reid Holbrook.

'The Open should provide the team with a good kick in the butt," he said. "It's hard to be ever really entirely ready for a meet, but I think we will do well."

Perhaps a hidden goal on the agenda will be to beat archrival San Jose State.

"There has always been a good intrastate rivalry between us and them. Regardless of how the meet turns out, we just really want to beat them, especially since they are hosting the meet," Holbrook said.

Sophomore all-around performer Paul Mendoza feels confident going into this weekend's competition.

"I feel pretty strong and think we'll do good," he said. "Of As expected, the athletes are a course, there might be first-meet

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