

# SPORTS MONDAY

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## Gauchos Hope to Double Their Fun

Goldberger, Peterson Go to NCAAs

By Robert Boller  
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To put it mildly, the UCSB's women's tennis team had an extraordinary season. Now, after defending its Big West title, earning the Big West Player and Coach of the Year honors and having a few weeks to bask in their exploits, two Lady Gauchos are ready to confront one more challenge; the NCAA Championships.

Santa Barbara's #1 doubles team of senior co-Captain and Big West Player of the Year Debbie Goldberger and freshman phenom Kathy Peterson received a berth to the NCAA playoffs, which begin today at Stanford. The UCSB duo has played exceptionally well all season, garnishing a 12-3 overall record that resulted in the #23 ranking at the end of the season. At one point they were as high as #18.

"We were kind of thrown together at the beginning of the season, but we played well," Goldberger said of her pairing with Peterson. "I'm pretty excited about the coming week ... we have had the chance to concentrate on our game lately to a degree that wasn't possible during the busy season."

The doubles tournament consists of the top 32 teams in the nation, based on season record. This season Goldberger and Peterson defeated the #9 ranked team from Pepperdine, and their only losses came to teams in the top 20.

"They can play with any team in the tournament," Head Coach Chris Russell said. "It will be the little things that make the difference."

"This is good experience for Kathy," Russell added. "Debbie has been there three times before and hopefully Kathy can now bring this experience back to benefit the team next year as Debbie has done."

Russell also indicated that similarities between Goldberger and Peterson have made the pair so competitive.

"Kathy has a lot of parallels with Debbie," he said. "Debbie came in as a freshman and began playing #1 doubles as well. They have had time to fine tune and have been working hard at doing everything possible to become a better doubles team. Communication is a major factor. It's going to come down to not making mental mistakes, because

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### Doubles Time

Senior Debbie Goldberger, above, and freshman Kathy Peterson will begin play at the NCAA Championship Doubles competition today at Stanford. The pair, which were just "thrown together" at the beginning of the season, are ranked #23 in the nation.

### Track & Field

## Decathlon Closes Out '92 UCSB Track Year

By Robert Silk  
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This weekend's Late Afternoon Decathlon went off without a hitch, and in doing so, brought to a successful conclusion the year of competition at UCSB's Pauley Track.

"It was a good decathlon," said a satisfied Sam Adams, the outgoing men's track and field coach who organized the event.

Of the 15 competitors, two gained provisional entries into the NCAA Championships, while another virtually assured himself a spot on his country's Olympic team.

Winning the Decathlon was Dave Mesgoj, a competitor from UCSB Outreach, who finished with 7,659 points. Mesgoj, who was in fourth after the first day of competition, was a provisional qualifier for the Olympic Trials prior to the competition and now has nearly solidified his chances of appearing in the late June

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The first annual Varsity Varieties show Friday night was filled with entertaining moments, including Tina Van Loon and Julie Pitois, top, doing the disco thing, and Ray Stewart and Idris Jones portraying talk show host Arsenio Hall and his special guest star, UCSB basketball Coach Jerry Pimm. Right, Jones as Pimm shows off his moves and clothes to the crowd.

## 'Varsity Varieties' Allows Athletes to Strut Their Stuff off the Field

By Jonathan Okanes  
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There was a feeling around the UCSB Events Center Friday night that this "Varsity Varieties" thing may just work.



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Smiles abounded as the athletic department generated approximately \$10,000 in a live auction and more in two silent auction sessions for the university's scholarship fund, and a hefty crowd of supporters got an opportunity to see the talents of UCSB athletes off the playing field in the first annual UCSB Varsity Varieties.

Almost every major UCSB athletic team was involved in some way, with the highlight of the evening coming in the form of the men's basketball team's parody of the "Arsenio Hall Show", starring Ray Stewart as Hall and Idris Jones as Hall's special guest, Gaucho basketball Coach Jerry Pimm.

"All I can say is that Idris better be in shape for a lot of running on Nov. 1," joked Pimm, referring to the team's first practice for this upcoming season. "He better run a lot this summer."

Jones wore one of Pimm's suits, a pink job with a polka dot shirt underneath, but it was his mimicking of his mannerisms that the crowd especially seemed to enjoy, particularly Pimm's patented headscratch and also when he pulled out a cellular phone during the interview to take a call from Jerry Tarkanian.

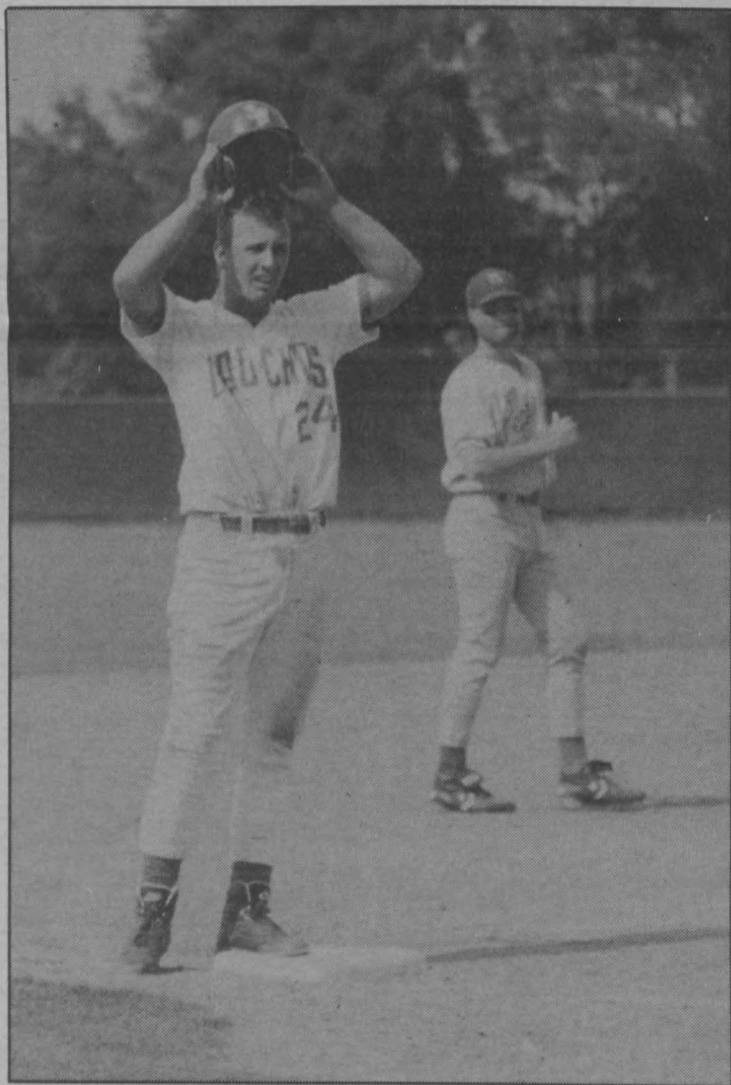
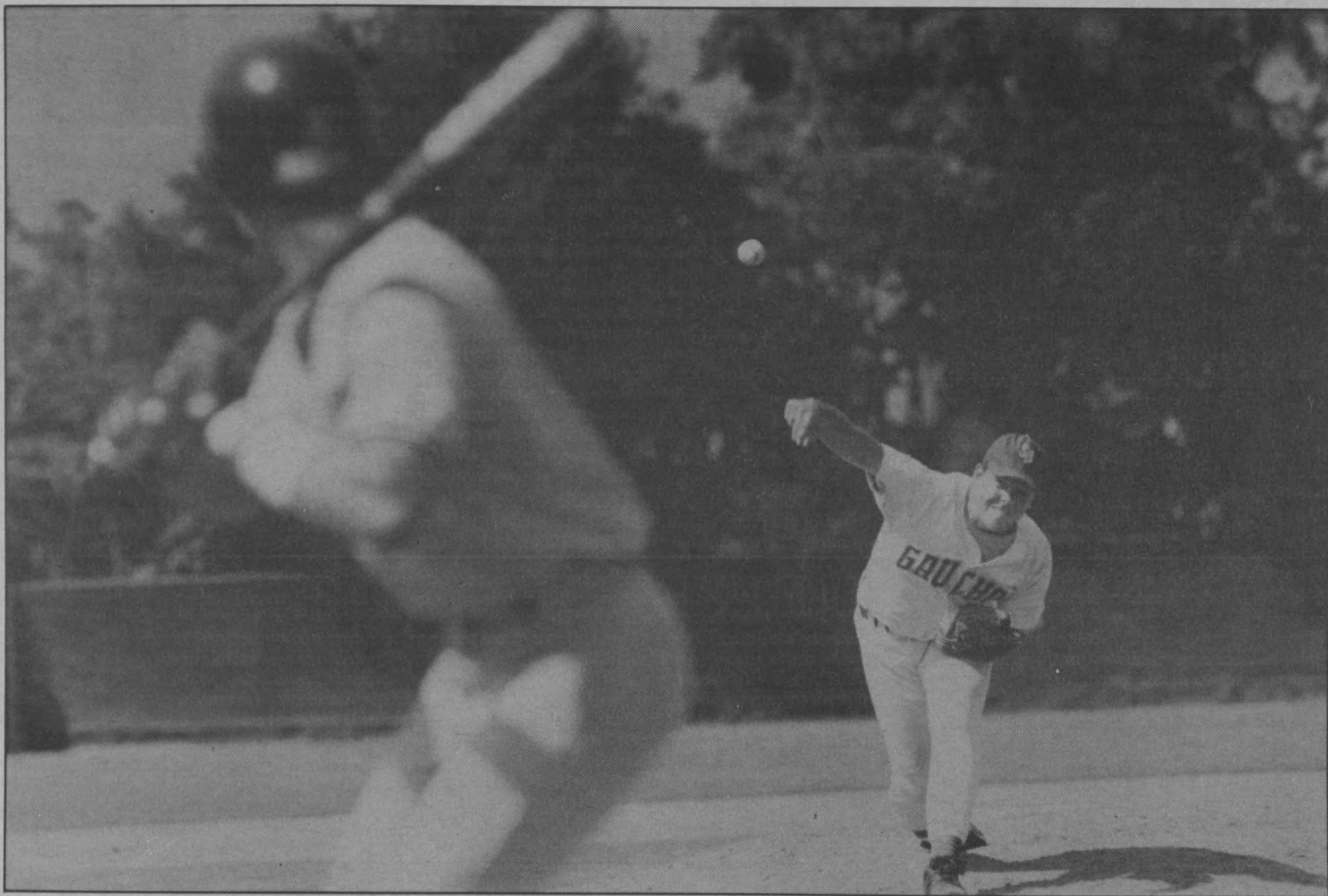
"I saw him laughing in the crowd but I couldn't make eye contact with him," Jones said. "At first I didn't really want to wear that suit, but that was a lot of fun — maybe I have a future in this."

Stewart's rendition of Hall was also well-received. A few times he poked fun at Hall's "buddy-buddy" antics on his show by pointing out his "good friends" in the crowd, Charles Barkley and Terry Porter, played by teammates Paul Johnson and Kason Jackson.

"I've been watching a lot of 'In Living

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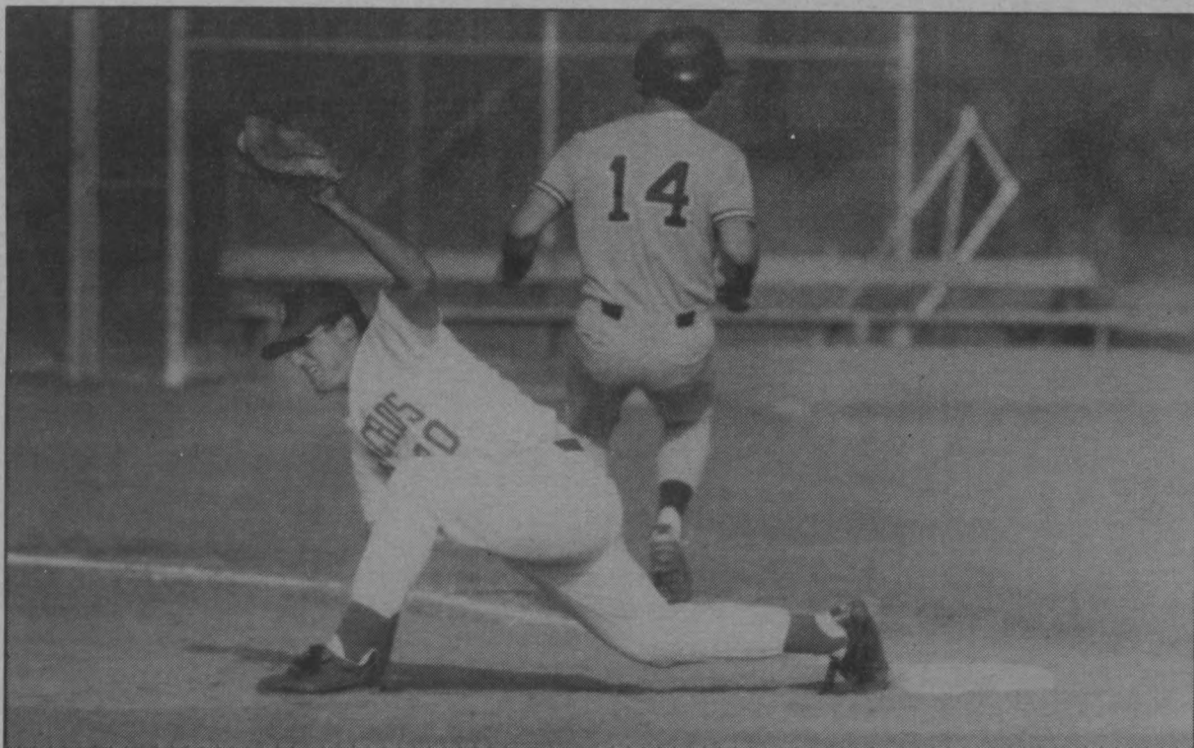


# BASEBALL 1992

Photos by Hillary Kaplowitz



Though the UCSB baseball team had less than an ideal season, finishing 30-23-1 overall and 9-14 in the Big West, the team did have some good moments. Junior right-hander Travis Rodgers, top, threw an early season shutout, but couldn't hold on to his spot in the rotation. Fortunately, relief for Head Coach Al Ferrer was on the way in the form of a trio of young hurlers, right-handers Steve Lane and Armando Delsi, and left-hander Mike Wolger, above left. Wolger also did it with the bat, hitting .304 on the season. Junior shortstop Danny Lane, above right, was also an offensive threat, hitting



.366 with eight home runs, and is the UCSB player most likely to be taken in the upcoming Major League Draft. His double-play partner, senior David Waco, hit a career best .353 and exhibited one of the best pair of hands in the Big West, if not the nation. Senior Jeff Antoon, bottom, who saw time at five different positions this season, battled back from a slump to hit .322 with seven home runs. Antoon, who owns the Santa Barbara record for career homers with 37, doubles with 67 and RBI with 203, also has a shot at a professional career.



## VARIETY: Stars From the Field Shine on Stage

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Color' lately," Stewart said. "I don't really sound like him but I think I've got the movements down. The team is always saying I couldn't do something like this, so when I found out I had the chance, I jumped at the opportunity. I was looking for a scout for 'In Living Color' in the stands."

The women's soccer team's rendition of the Queen anthem "Bohemian Rhapsody," with forward Phronsie Franco as Wayne from *Wayne's World* was also popular.

"We were just playing the music one day during weights and making up moves and everyone just

started laughing," Franco said. "When they first asked us for something we kind of went 'Oh, man', but we started working on it and it was so fun. We were having a blast up there."

The women's basketball team performed a skit tracing the evolution of their program while also poking fun at the men's team. At one point senior Barbara Beainy explained to the freshmen that the reason why the program was low on funds was because the men's team had "to fly to Loyola for a game this weekend."

The ECen also became a spontaneous dance club during the men's and wo-

men's tennis teams' rendition of the song "Stand By Me." Men's player Robert Johnson asked the crowd to find a partner and come to the floor and strut their stuff.

Other performances included a spoof on the "Saturday Night Live" character "Pat" by the softball team, a parody of "Dance Fever" by the women's volleyball team, a "Star Search" type dance-off by the women's gymnastics team and a skit by the men's volleyball team that poked fun at the coaching staff.

Prior to the evening's entertainment segment, com-

munity members browsed around the ECen for about an hour and a half writing down their bids for numerous items on display for the silent auction. Prizes included tickets to the All-Star Game, private volleyball lessons with UCSB volleyball coach Kathy Gregory and a plane trip to the Channel Islands.

"I think this is the kind of thing that can draw the department closer together," UCSB Associate Athletic Director Jim Romeo said. "Everyone enjoyed each other very much. They were very willing to do what the administration asked of them."

draw. I've had to face the #1 seed in early rounds the last two years.

"Kathy's fired up and has improved in the last few weeks so I think we'll do real well," she added.

Russell foresees the team having a great deal of success.

"We are not going to be happy just going to the tournament," he said. "We want to do things that haven't been done before."

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competition.

UC Irvine's Matt Farmer finished in second with 7,318 points and, as a result, is now a provisional qualifier for the NCAA Division I Championships to be held June 3-6 in Austin, Texas.

Third place was claimed by Albert Mieler of Sacramento State with a total of 7,284 points. In doing so, he virtually assured himself a spot on the Fiji Olympic squad.

Fourth and fifth place were claimed by Jack Hoyt and Dave Pelton, respectively. Hoyt was the overnight leader and finished two points behind Mieler at 7,282 points. Pelton, propelled by a strong second day, was able to move from

seventh to fifth place and finish with 7,198 points.

Greg Dudey of Cal Tech earned a provisional qualification into the NCAA Division III Championships. His 5,620 points secured an eighth place finish.

In other action this weekend, UCSB high jumper Colman Conroy competed in a top quality meet in Modesto, where he hoped to get in a good warm up before the NCAA Championships. He jumped 7'0" but did not place in the top three.

Next weekend, UCSB athletes Bryan MacMillan and Nils Fearnley will participate in a meet at Cal State Los Angeles in hopes of securing a last second spot at the NCAAAs. MacMillan runs the steeplechase and Fearnley is a javelin thrower.

## DOUBLES

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physically they are very sharp."

Goldberger said that she had a definite personal goal entering the competition.

"I'd like to become an All-American and this is my last chance," she said. "We would have to win two rounds which is a realistic goal. A lot depends on the

## SENIOR SPORTS FANS

Anybody out there? You folks got any favorite sports memories, or did you just spend all your time drinking beer? Can you write, or are you an illiterate sloth failed by the system? Come on, get some of those memories down on paper so that we can print them.

LET'S GET WITH IT, SENIORS

## Contest Earns Bucks for Surf Squad Trip

Though a lack of rideable waves forced a last minute change of venue and date, the UCSB surf team's Second Annual Spring Surf Challenge was a raging success, earning the team needed funds to allow them to attend the U.S. Nationals in San Clemente on June 29.

The contest was originally scheduled for Saturday at Sands Beach, but Mother Nature refused to cooperate and the contest was moved to Ventura.

"We were hoping for swell," said team member Brian Siebert. "It just wasn't very good here. Spring Quarter is always pretty minimal."

Despite the fact that 15 or so competitors dropped out after the venue change, the meet attracted about 30 surfers from around Goleta and Isla Vista, and was divided into three categories. In the men's division, Chris Willingham took first, Justin Pawl second, Erik Krammer third and Bill Patterson fourth. In juniors (under-17), Goleta resident Chris Enns took first, followed by Eric Spangler, Ben Andrews and Buff Platt. In longboard competition, Pawl took first, followed by Siebert, Enns and Barry Steinboch. Winners took home trophies and an assortment of prizes from local event sponsors.

"The local companies kicked in nicely," said Krammer, who is captain of the Surf Club and helped organize the event.

According to Krammer, the contest took in approximately \$300, which will be enough to pay for the A-team's entry fee to the Nationals. The five time defending National Champions earned the right to participate in the meet following a strong performance in the State Championships two weeks ago.

"We'll be looking to make it six," Krammer said.

—Ross French

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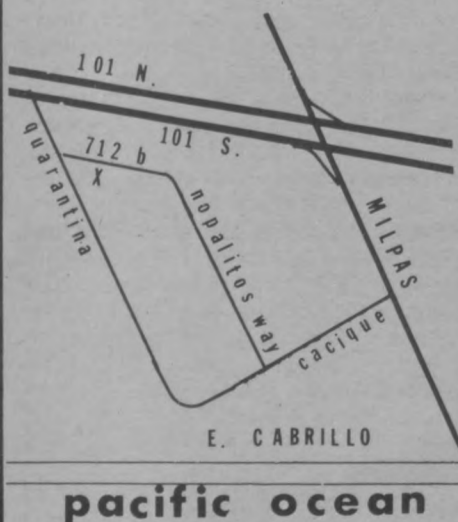
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