



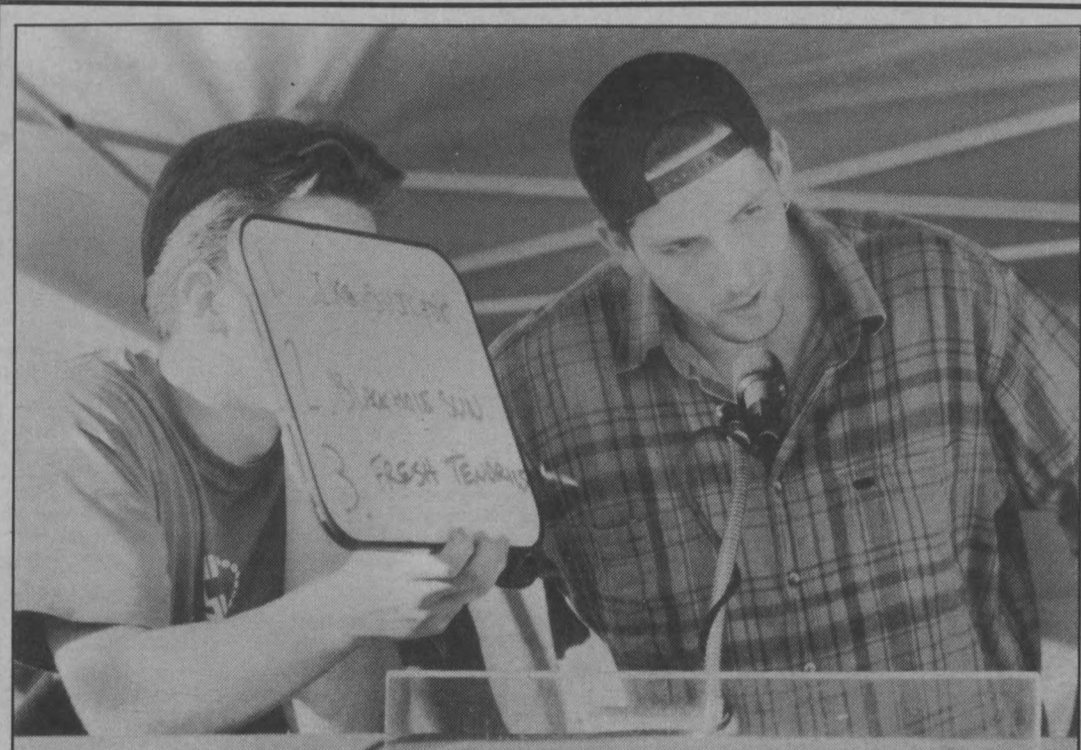
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Music for 100, Alex

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These two participants in the "Rolling Stone Rock and Roll Bowl" garnered second place after listing three songs off Soundgarden's Superunknown album. The Daily Nexus team grabbed first place, naturally.

Race Still Deadlocked

Winner Undetermined Despite New Absentees

By Chris George
Staff Writer

Pettit.

The race for the 22nd Congressional District seat remained relatively unchanged Monday, despite the introduction of 10,000 absentee votes cast in Santa Barbara County.

After county officials finished tallying the absentee ballots, state Assemblywoman Andrea Seastrand (R-San Luis Obispo) led UCSB religious studies Professor Walter Capps by 874 votes — 95 votes less than her lead when the polls closed Nov. 8.

Capps campaign manager Kevin Looper expressed regret at the minimal gain. "I'm certainly not over the moon," he said. "We'd hoped to pick up a few more votes than we did."

There are approximately 2,000 absentee and 600 provisional ballots yet to be counted, pending voter identity confirmation, according to Santa Barbara County Clerk-Recorder Ken

An additional 12,000 absentees and provisionals from San Luis Obispo County also remain uncounted, but should be totaled by Thursday, according to Looper.

Since the northern county is Seastrand's base of support, the Republican campaign was unmoved by Capps' gain, according to Seastrand student advisor Kevin Watson.

"No worries here," Watson said. "We always expected to do better in San Luis Obispo. [Santa Barbara] is Capps' bread and butter."

Although Seastrand has already declared victory, the Capps campaign remains hopeful, vowing to wait for the San Luis Obispo results before conceding the contest, according to Looper. "You don't let somebody take the pot 'til you see their cards," he said.

The final Isla Vista election

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State Commission to Decide Fate of Bluffs

By Suzanne Garner
Staff Writer

Wednesday, the California Coastal Commission will revisit two coastal projects that developers and local environmental groups have wrestled with since plans first hit the drawing board two years ago.

Public comment will begin today regarding a 31.9-acre housing development proposal for Ellwood Shores. Decisions on the development plan, as well as Arco's Dos Pueblos Golf Links project, will be handed down Wednesday. Arco's proposal calls for the transformation of

202 acres of coastal bluffs into a 27-hole golf course.

Both projects have met with opposition from community members who believe the bluffs should remain unscathed. However, developers maintain the projects will result in minimal damage to the ecosystem while generating county revenue.

The CCC has ruled twice on Ellwood development, initially refusing the project and later reversing that judgment.

In October, the County Board of Supervisors revisited the plan, which called for 38 acres of development, under the consent of the CCC. The board decided to

scale back the acreage slated for development to a 31.9-acre "footprint," which the CCC will consider Wednesday.

If the CCC approves the Revised Specific Plan, the supervisors will not likely raise objection, according to Scott McPhee, spokesman for developers Southwest Diversified, Inc.

"If they were to approve the Specific Plan, it would go back to the county for approval like it did before," McPhee said. "But the county would probably approve it this time because it's [3rd District Supervisor] Bill

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As part of an effort to "Take Back" the Chicano Studies Dept., members of El Congreso occupy the lobby of Cheadle Hall to draw attention to their demands.

Campus Group Focuses on Future Demands in Protest

By Colleen Valles
Staff Writer

11:15 a.m., while a sit-in simultaneously took place inside the administrative building.

A campus student organization held a press conference Monday to announce plans for this week and continue demonstrations against certain administrative practices in the Chicano Studies Dept.

Campus Chicano/Latino student organization El Congreso kicked off its second week of protest against the appointment of Dean of Social Sciences Don Zimmerman as acting chair of the Chicano Studies Dept. The group also claims the administration has not fulfilled its original promises made regarding the hunger strike agreement last May.

The press conference was held outside Cheadle Hall at

Among those present at the event were former Chicano Studies Dept. chair and Professor Yolanda Broyles-González, Professor Rudolfo Acuña from Cal State Northridge, El Congreso Chair Alma Flores and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Michael Young.

The conference focused on the discussion of steps to be taken in order to have El Congreso's demands fulfilled.

An open letter will be sent to the Academic Senate as part of the protest, according to Broyles-González. "We want to go through the channels that are there," she said.

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Academic Senate Holds Forum to Consider Clearview

By Michael Ball
and Susan Burkhart
Staff Writers

Students, faculty and experts gathered on campus Monday to discuss the Mobil Oil Corp.

Clearview proposal at an open forum presented by the Academic Senate.

The Academic Senate's Special Committee on the Clearview Project was formed following the UCSB Clearview Task Force report released last June.

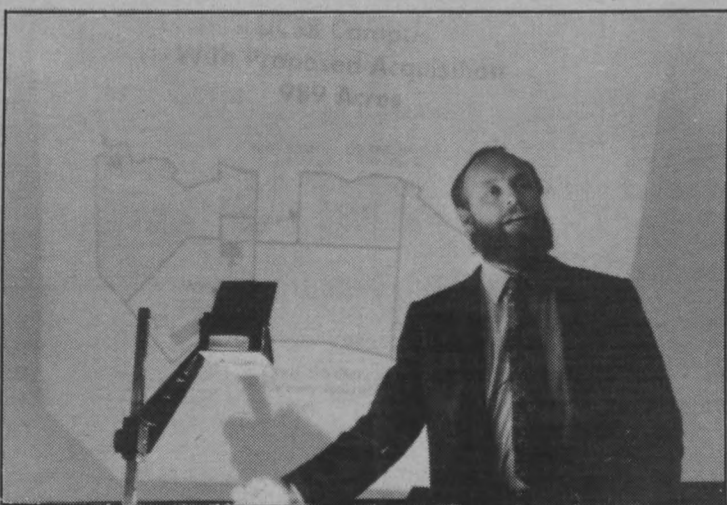
The issues brought up at the forum will aid the committee in making a final recommendation to Chancellor Henry T. Yang regarding the possible leasing of UC-owned land to Mobil for the onshore oil drilling project, according to committee chair Gene Lucas.

"Here we are in November 1994 and the university has just closed escrow on university exchange corporation land so we are now owners of a piece of land that Mobil is interested in for the Clearview project," Lucas said.

Mobil proposes the establishment of an onshore rig, which would use slant drilling technology to tap reserves beneath coastal waters. The rig would be constructed at the site of the oil company's Ellwood Marine Terminal.

"We have a chance to make our recommendations to the chancellor at the end of this calendar year, and that turns out

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JAMES KU/Daily Nexus

David Coon, the campus director of Environmental Health and Safety, outlines points of concern regarding the Mobil Clearview Project at a forum attended by members of the community.

HEADLINERS

Death Toll Reaches 100 From Flooding

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Heavy rains and flooding from Tropical Storm Gordon swept across Haiti Monday, killing at least 100 people, triggering landslides and washing away makeshift homes in the slums of the capital.

Terrified people fled their homes in the early morning darkness as floodwaters poured in. Some spent the night huddled on their rooftops in the downpour.

By the time the skies cleared, thousands of people were left homeless.

"I didn't save anything, only myself," said Lekeas Dorvilier, 35, who jumped out the window of his two-room home minutes before it crumbled into a ravine.

Bodies lay in the sun

in some neighborhoods. Many of the victims lived in flimsy tin shacks on hillsides. A mudslide collapsed a wall in one

in a U.S. military helicopter to survey damage from the 1994 Atlantic hurricane season's deadliest storm.

Les Cayes on the southern peninsula.

Melinor St. Fleur, 56, said she and her family ran out of their house in the middle of the night when a torrent of water broke through the wall and swept away their possessions.

"We only saved ourselves, but everything we have is gone," St. Fleur said. "All my money is gone. God knows what's going to happen now."

Two deaths also were reported in Jamaica, where the storm caused widespread flooding and mudslides. In Cuba, at least two people were killed and 65,000 were evacuated.

The storm also toppled tents at the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

WORLD

Obviously we will do what we can to help the Haitian government.

**Col. Barry Willey
U.S. military spokesman**

neighborhood, killing a woman and three children, the Haitian Red Cross said.

The storm killed at least 40 people in Port-au-Prince. Rescue workers said they expected the death toll to climb.

President Jean-Bertrand Aristide flew over his battered nation

"Obviously we will do what we can to help the Haitian government," said Col. Barry Willey, a U.S. military spokesman.

U.S. Army meteorologists said more than nine inches of rain fell on Port-au-Prince during the 24-hour period ending Monday morning, with 14 inches falling on

Islamic Militants' Procession Blocked by Palestinian Police

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Yasser Arafat ordered his security forces Monday to block Islamic militants from holding a rally for a suicide bomber and hunt down leaders of the most violent faction opposed to peace with Israel.

Palestinian police set up roadblocks, searched cars and turned away activists of the Islamic Jihad movement trying to reach the memorial for Hisham Hamad. Three Israeli soldiers were killed Friday when Hamad rode a bicycle into an Israeli army checkpoint and set off explosives strapped to his body.

Monday was the first time Palestinian police enforced a new ban on street protest as part of a widening crackdown on Muslim militants that also included the arrests of about 180 activists since the weekend.

Nevertheless, more

than 500 militants managed to bypass police and rally outside Hamad's house, calling on Arafat to halt the crackdown and threatening attacks against Israeli targets.

"Arafat, we are not



afraid of your arrests!" the demonstrators chanted as a man in the crowd burned an Israeli flag to cheers. "We are ready to kill and be killed."

Despite the rhetoric, the police barriers prevented most militants from arriving and forced Islamic Jihad members to postpone a symbolic funeral procession from Hamad's home.

Clinton Lines Up Support to Keep Pressure on N. Korea

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — In an orchestrated show of unity, President Clinton won pledges Monday from China, Japan and South Korea to keep pressure on North Korea to freeze its suspected nuclear weapons program. Asian and Pacific leaders also neared agreement on a free-trade pact.

In talks with presidents and prime ministers far from home, Clinton was closely questioned about last week's GOP election sweep. The president pledged cooperation with the Republicans.

Clinton met privately with the leaders of China, Japan, South Korea and Australia and then attended a dinner opening the 18-nation Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum.

U.S. officials predicted endorsement Tuesday of a statement calling for

"open and free trade" throughout the region by the year 2020. Industrial countries would try to achieve the goal by 2010 while less-developed countries and newly developed nations would aim



at the 2020 target.

Asia is the world's fastest growing economic region, and U.S. trade across the Pacific is three times as large as that with European nations.

Despite trade emphasis, Clinton elicited statements of support for an accord to freeze and ultimately dismantle North Korea's nuclear program in exchange for energy aid and eventual diplomatic recognition.

Space Shuttle Returns With Pregnant Rats, Ozone Data

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE (AP) — Space shuttle *Atlantis* landed in the Mojave Desert on Monday, bringing home a wealth of data on the ozone layer along with 10 pregnant rats that were immediately taken away for Caesarean sections.

The six astronauts ended the 11-day flight at Edwards Air Force Base because Tropical Storm Gordon made their landing at Cape Canaveral, Fla., impossible.

The rats were the first pregnant mammals to fly aboard a U.S. spacecraft. Scientists want to learn how weightlessness affects fetal development.

But the main purpose of the mission was atmospheric research.

Atlantis brought back data from seven solar energy and atmospheric monitors and a \$35 million German satellite.

The satellite carried in-

struments to study ozone and other gases in Earth's atmosphere. Researchers said the satellite performed nearly flawlessly.

"We planned 100 hours of science time. We actually got about 180 hours,"



said Konrad Mortiz, German mission manager.

NASA quickly unloaded the pregnant rats, and scientists began C-sections to remove fetuses from one womb in each. Rats have two wombs; the animals are expected to give birth naturally from their second wombs on Wednesday.

Shooting Spree Leaves Two Dead, Three Others Injured

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A drifter with a history of weapons arrests opened fire with several guns during a 20-minute barrage, pinning down residents, shoppers and diners, killing a police officer and wounding three other people.

The gunman, wearing a bulletproof vest, was shot and killed by police after firing more than 100 rounds into surrounding buildings and Sunday evening traffic.

"It was like war," said Charlie Malloy, who abandoned his pickup truck when a bullet pierced the hood.

The gunman, identified as Vic Boutwell, 37, had been living in a van in the Santa Cruz Mountains for several years. He was arrested five or six years ago in San Jose, where his family lives, and weapons were confiscated at the time, officers said.

Police found two European assault rifles and three semiautomatic pistols with Boutwell. Four of the five weapons had been fired, and Boutwell had an estimated 1,000 rounds of ammo stuffed into belts



and clips on his body and in a car he had hijacked. Police also found fuses and black powder, a scanner and a notebook with police frequencies written in it.

Boutwell had delivered a chilling warning to relatives a week earlier. "You're going to be surprised at what I'm going to do," he told relatives in his last conversation with them before he was shot and killed.

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Clarification

In the Nov. 14 issue, a story concerning the Asian Student Coalition Task Force's hopes for an Asian-American/Pacific Islander student resource center implies the center would be included as part of an Asian American Studies special collection and/or reading room in the Davidson Library. The Task Force has been requesting both a reading room and a separate resource center on campus similar to that of the Women's Center. The Nexus regrets this error.

Weather

On behalf of the predominately Latino cleaning staff of Cheadle Hall, I'd like to thank this opportunity to heartily thank the party or parties who dropped the legumes (spilled the beans) on the floor during Monday's demonstration. Shut the system down for us, folks.

Of course, it's hard not to sympathize with them just a little when the only administrator to attend said he couldn't comment because he "wasn't involved in the issues addressed."

Expect late clouds today, with a slight chance of precipitation, high 60s, low 40s. Sunset 4:55 p.m. (Love that DST!)

Crime, Costs Considered at Campus Conference

By Ayse Korgav
Reporter

This month's University of California Student Association conference, hosted by UCSB last Saturday and Sunday, focused on discussion regarding the establishment and evaluation of system-wide policies.

UCSA members present at the November meeting reviewed various campus concerns such as student safety, fees and enrollment.

Conference keynote speaker, Chicano studies Professor Yolanda Broyles-González, expressed her opinions Sunday morning regarding her dismissal from the position of Chicano Studies Dept. chair, as well as the department's requests for autonomy.

"All of our rights have been suspended," she said. During the weekend conference, the Student Life and Concerns Committee sent a letter to the Office of the President addressing students' rights to access crime statistics as a result of the Student Right to Know Act. The letter requested an increase in the availability of these resources.

"Crime statistics should be published, updated and given to all students through the Nexus, Kiosk and newsletters," said Kris Kohler, external vice president for statewide affairs. The committee compared UCSB's safety features to those of other UC campuses. While the seaside university has an escort service, it lacks easy access to emergency phones found at other campuses.

In other business, the Fees and Financial Aid Committee met to discuss professional school differential fees. If implemented, the UC will charge professional students \$6,000 more per year than nonprofessional students to accommodate greater education and equipment costs, according to Kohler.

This solution, although potentially problematic, is the best currently available, according to Victoria Meyers of the Graduate Students Association.

The conference also included discussion on updating the curriculum taught in General Education courses throughout the UC system, as well as the gpa required for eligibility in some majors, according to Rob Thom, Academic Affairs rep.

"Premajor gpa's should be dropped to a 2.0 to achieve academic freedom," he said. Santa Barbara County guidelines. However, the CCC has consented to reconsider the same plan.

The CCC is likely to give the nod to the revised plan, according to Save Ellwood Shores board member Brent Foster. "It seems they'd have a hard time rejecting it," he said. Foster believes even the reduced development compromise may entail considerable environmental damage. "Even the Specific Plan as it is right now is going to have really serious environmental impacts on Ellwood Shores," he said.

Arco's project, to be located 10 miles west of Goleta, was denied by the CCC last April because the land designated for the golf course is zoned for agricultural use under

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CCC

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Wallace's plan."

In the event the plan is approved, Southwest said it has not yet established a timeline for construction. "We haven't even begun to consider that," McPhee said.

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- **ORGANIZE** your friends or roommates to bake and deliver (we need over 4,000 cookies, brownies, slices of banana bread, or whatever!!)
- **VOLUNTEER** on the morning of Wed. Nov. 23rd to help package and transport.
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In addition to **Associated Students Community Affairs Board (CAB)**

this baking event is also being sponsored by:

UCSB Professional Women's Association Community Service Committee
Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA a community service organization)
Sigma Chi Omega (a Multicultural interest fraternity)

MOBIL: Safety Concerns Vocalized

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to be timely," Lucas said. "Mobil intends to file a permit application for Clearview in January 1995."

Safety and possible environmental effects of the onshore rig were discussed by concerned parties at the meeting. Opponents addressed the possibility that Clearview would create a new source of pollution in the area.

"We have air quality concerns," said David Coon, UCSB Environmental Health and Safety director. "Another concern is the traffic and noise impact on the breeding area."

Linda Krop, an Environmental Defense Center attorney, echoed Coon's fears. "My concern deals with environmental impact and land uses, air quality impact, noise im-

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These projects would undeniably cause health problems.

Linda Krop
attorney
Environmental Defense Center

— " —
pact, light impact, aesthetic impact and recreational impact the drilling operation would have 24 hours a day," she said.

By replacing Platform Holly, located off the coast of Ellwood, with the Clearview project, Mobil believes they are creating a more environmentally safe means of drilling, according to Terry Laudick, Mobil operations area

manager.

"By doing this on shore, we are protecting, and we believe that through the elimination of barging and the offshore platform, we are actually enhancing the marine environment," Laudick said.

An October explosion at a Mobil oil refinery plant in Torrance caused some faculty and students to fear a similar situation with Clearview.

"These projects would undeniably cause health problems," Krop said. "Any kind of leaking or explosion at the site would be deadly."

Mobil believes the Torrance incident is separate from the Clearview project. "Torrance is a refinery and Clearview is not," Laudick said. "Mobil has been given a safety award and we've won three out of the last 10 years."

calls from individuals requesting him to re-enter the political scene in the next election should he not emerge victorious in this year's race, according to Capps. "It's a possibility I'm seriously considering," he said.

CAPPS

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turnout was 34.8 percent, up from 23.5 percent in the primary. Capps captured a majority of the I.V. and Santa Barbara vote.

Looper believes the election relied on the voters' presence at the polls. "If anyone ever has a doubt that their vote counted, they should ask Walter Capps," he said.

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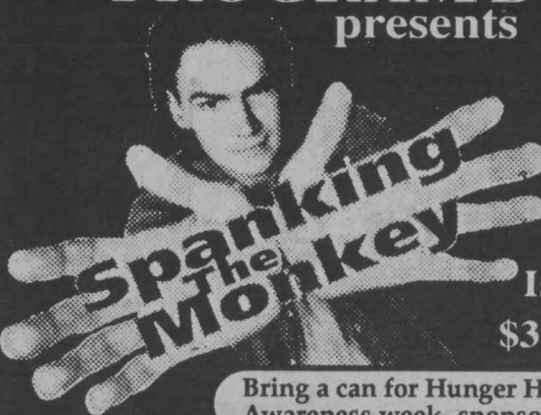
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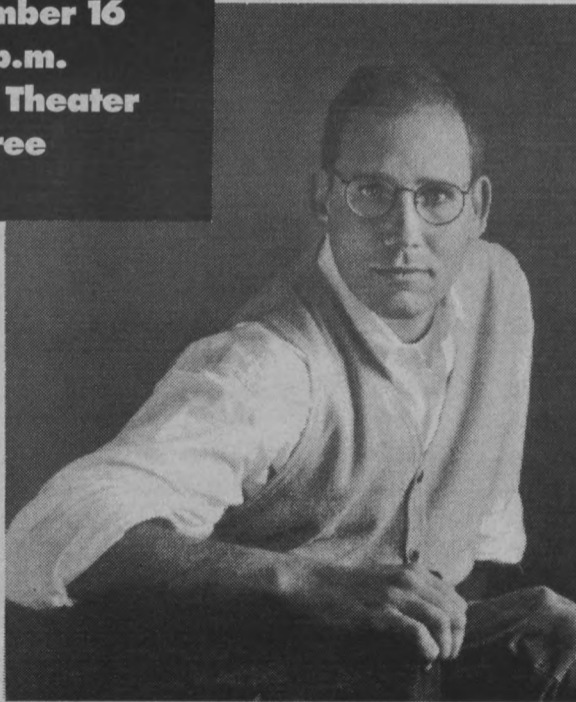
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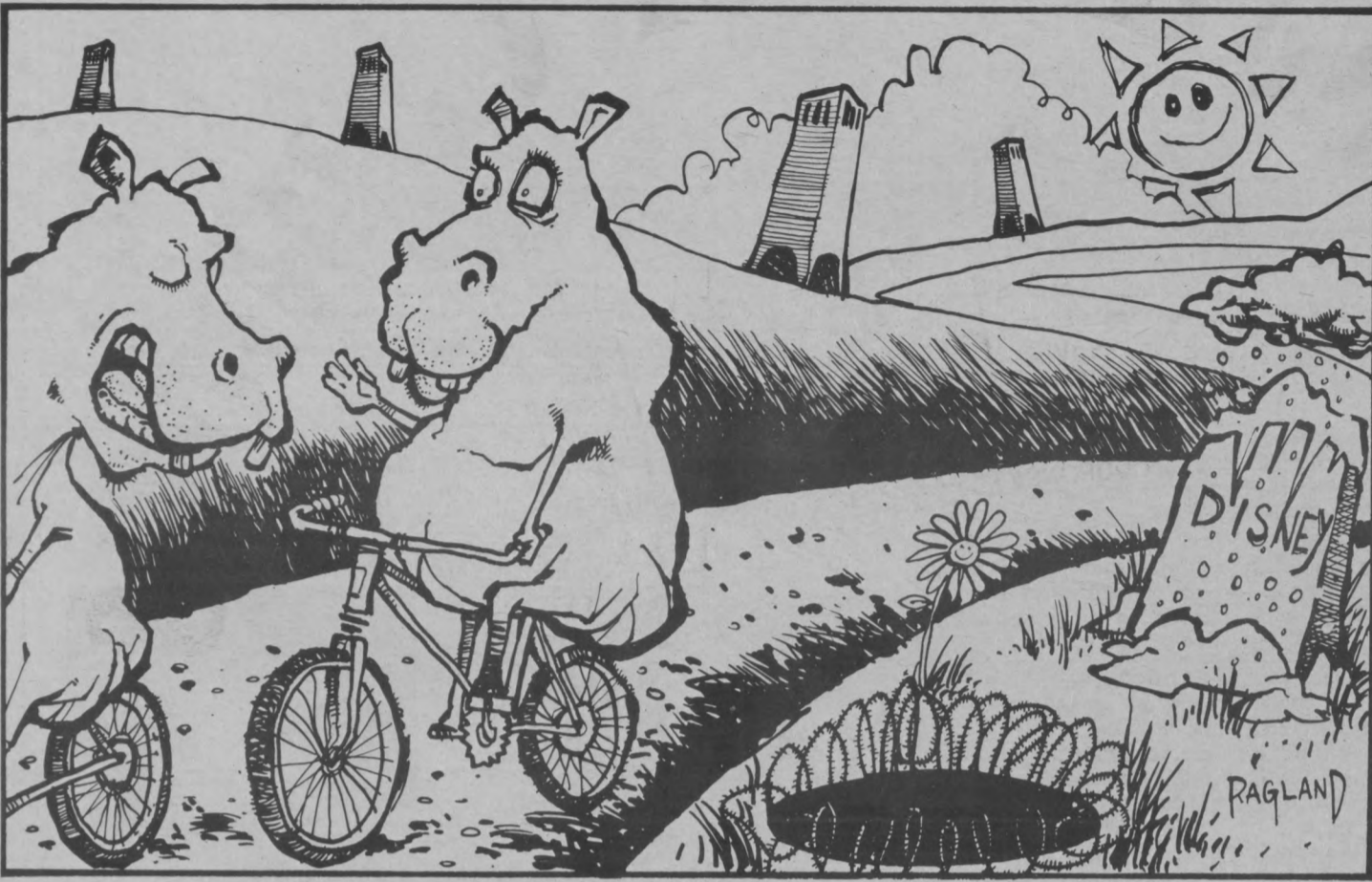
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OPINION

"A life spent in making mistakes is not only more honorable but more useful than a life spent doing nothing."

—George Bernard Shaw



MATT RAGLAND/Daily Nexus

Bicycle Etiquette

When Pedaling Around Town, Be on Your Best Behavior

Editorial

All right. We're mad as hell and we're not going to take it anymore. Things have just gotten way out of hand around here and it's time that something was said.

It all comes down to these two words: bicycle etiquette. At a campus where transportation for many, if not most, consists of pedaling around on two wheels, it stands to reason that there should be some sort of overall behavioral code, in addition to state and university laws, for bikers.

First of all, if you can't take the heat, get the hell off the bikepath. This means that if you are going to putter along, you don't have to break the sound barrier, but you should realize that there are other people besides you on the bikepaths. If you desire to continue at your own pace, at least adopt standard highway etiquette and move over to the right, so that those who are actually in a hurry can go on.

On the other hand, those who fly perilously by at lightning speed, passing with an inch or less to spare, are just as potentially dangerous as their pokier counterparts. While the latter impede traffic and could cause accidents, these wannabe Mario Andrettis of the biking set pose an even greater threat. So take it easy on those around you, okay?

Those roving packs of bicyclists, moving in one big clump, are another source of annoyance when trying to get from one place to another. There is more than one way to Campbell Hall, people. Try alternate routes and you'll be surprised at how quickly you can get there.

Often, though, it only takes two to tango when blocking up the bikeways. Ever been stuck behind two people riding side by side, talking and taking up the entire path? Get your gossiping done at the UCen and leave the roadways clear for those who

need to get somewhere.

And while you're at it, please at least make an attempt to remain in your lane. Most bikepaths aren't in the best of shape and it sometimes takes all our concentration just to get through them. We don't need the added distraction of someone swerving in and out.

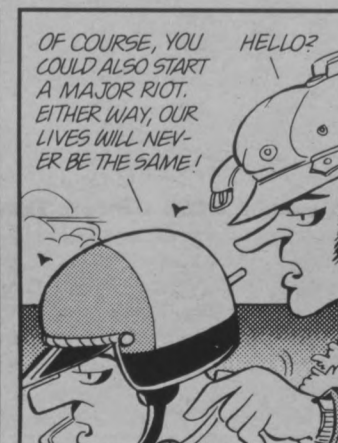
When you do finally reach your destination and go to lock up your bike, notice how others are parked around you and follow suit. You wouldn't sling a leg on someone's lap if there wasn't enough room to sit in a lecture hall, or park halfway on top of someone's hood if you couldn't fit your car into a spot. Accordingly, when parking a bike, don't stick your handlebars so that they block others, or decide to make your wheels get intimate with another's. Otherwise, your thoughtlessness might just result in damage to your own vehicle.

Rude biking does not just constrain itself to campus. We've all seen plenty of it in our beautiful seaside abode of Isla Vista. However, out in this "real world," such idiocy is even more stupid. The I.V. code of transport may be thusly summed up: cars take precedent over bikes and bikes take precedent over pedestrians. It shouldn't be this way, but it is. It's the law of the land, and you need to remember this the next time you consider not stopping at a stop sign with cars bearing down on you from all directions.

Above all, we should keep two things in mind. First, as a bona fide community, we need to be able to cooperate and live together, and this means being able to get from Point A to Point B without killing one another. Secondly, biking can be, and all too often is, a dangerous business. Put on your helmet, stay alert, be aware of who and what is around you and let both safety and respect be your guide.

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



British Exc

Conor McKechnie

It takes a lot to piss me off. Anyone who knows me fairly temperate chap, but today I am really pissed off that I thought I'd piss everyone else off by writing on the Nexus.

I'm from the U.K. I'm here for a year and I'm beginning to should cut my losses and go home. What exactly did I do? Among other things, I wanted to learn that American culture is just virulently oblivious TV junkies with nothing better to offer. I am not taking a superior stance here. I watch just as much crap telly as any other and also know that what they think is of no consequence other than to know, is a load of bollocks. Students are a nation's glory and do is of paramount importance, unless, of course, it's nothing.

What's getting me all worked up is the fact that the U.S. leader at the moment, and look at it! Moreover, look at the way they're rearing to take over leading this ball of shite we call America. That is so pleased with the fact that some berk has finally decided that they're prepared to sit back and do bugger all until they can accept a label that dismisses them as inconsequential. They're saying, "Oh, we really believe in freedom of expression, let's forget about them and concentrate on the economy. Let's piss you off? Not even a little bit?"

In the 1960s, American students protested at their own government and sending them off to kill communists in the Third World. Valid protest, I say, and well done. Now in the 1990s, the proposed laws and actions by the U.S. government that are as immoral as sending kids to get shot in the jungles.

Take this "Three Strikes" lark for instance. One of the things that greeted my arrival in the U.S. was the possible prospect of a petty crook for allegedly stealing a piece of pepperoni pizza. Done time for two other crimes and has a list of minor offenses. Now they want to lock him up for life? Let me point out that the argument is that he didn't learn his lesson the first time. Why should he come down on him like a ton of bricks. Is it not the tiniest littlest bit possible that the problem might be with the government, you, if you can get a guy to stop stealing cars and stick to doing something right.

My question is, How did this barmy piece of legislation come about? The reason has to lie in young people's tacit consent to the idea. I can only assume that in good faith because this is a pathetic and mostly by the sanctimonious right. Is that it? A noble thing.

Which brings me to another terrible thing, Proposition 13. I'm sure you're all sick of it, but bear with me, please. I had to declare that I wasn't a Nazi to get into this country (couldn't), and within two months of my arrival, I discovered that California is swarming with the buggers; over 59 percent of the population to vote. I was stunned. I can't even understand how this has become an issue on which you could vote. "Hey

Is It Me Or

Matthew Nelson

Am I the only one that gets the name of this column?

Here's the whole story. You see, I started this weekly column around the end of last year, wrote it over summer and continued it for every week of this quarter. It's really not that tough to do. All I really need to do is find something in my life that annoys me and write about it. I usually find that if I'm telling my friends about something that pisses me off but is funny at the same time, it makes a good piece.

So here I am writing away and having a great time, but something's wrong. You see that title, the one at the top of these lines? It's not mine.

I write a column under a completely different name. It's called "Is It JUST Me Or...?" and as far as I can remember, it's never seen print.

So what's the story? Did I spend all these weeks trying to get better at writing and build some kind of regula-

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lar audience for nothing? (You are my regular audience, aren't you?) Was there some strange typo error that occurred for the past six months straight?

Nope. According to my editor (who took this whole piece with a grain of salt, thank God, or else you wouldn't be reading this right now), there simply hasn't been enough room to fit the whole title in, and that's why they shortened it. Makes perfect sense, doesn't it? I mean, hey, several dozen columns — sure, you can't fit one extra word in, right? Makes sense to me.

Now, in all fairness to my Opinions Editors, I really love 'em. They are great people (well, except Yelles is a right-wing Republican, but I'm willing to accept that), and, heck, I've got ties to them. You see, it turns out that Allison is my best friend's girlfriend's sister's best friend (go over it again — it makes sense). I mean, we're practically family. All we need is mom and dad to look out for us. But then, I guess the weatherperson sort of fills that role.

Anyway, about the name. It's only a word, but it is part of the title, and titles are important. What would it be like if some of the great works of man had some oh-

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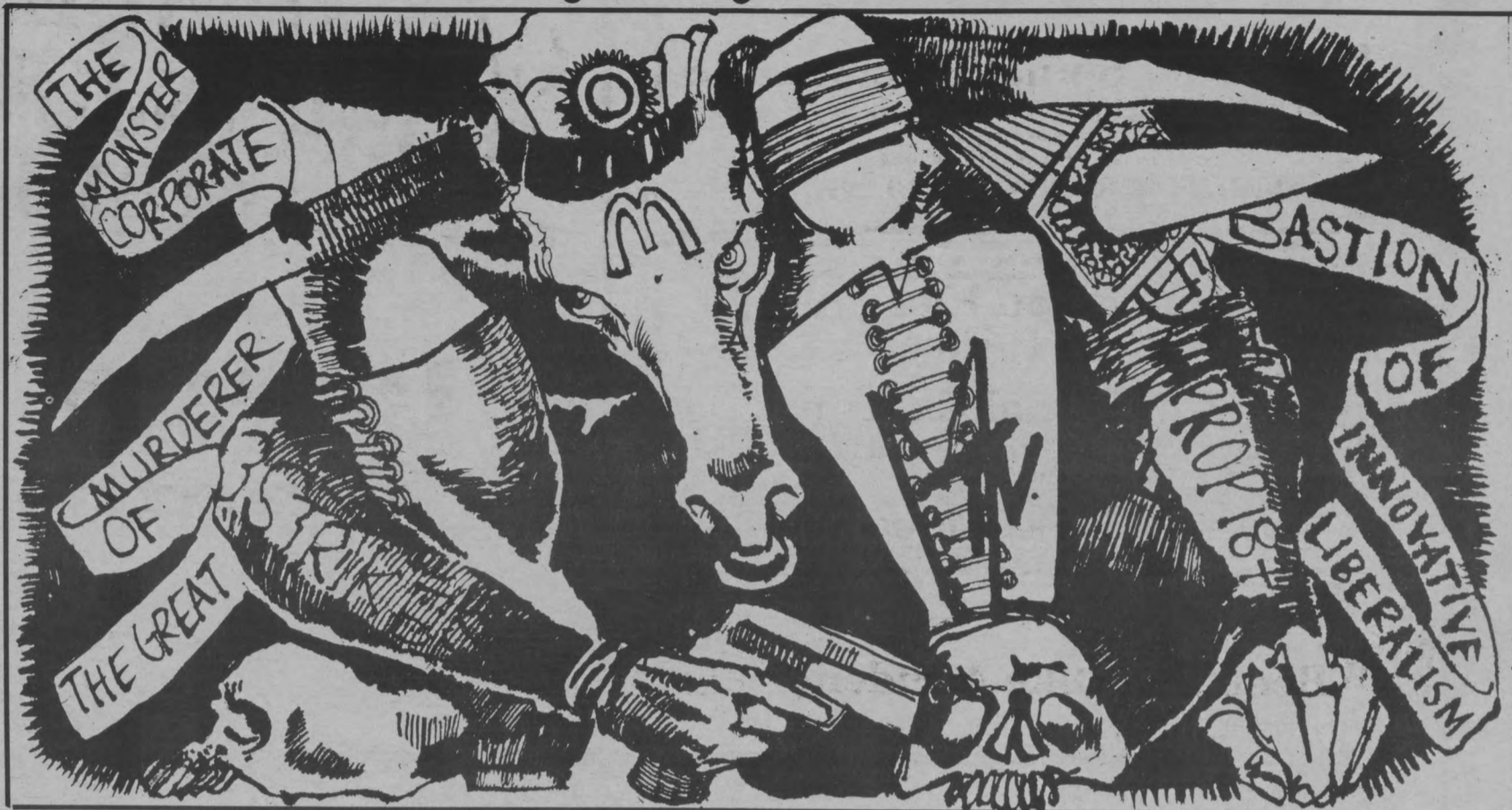
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idea. You know how much of our economy is based on the exploitation of illegal immigrants? Well, let's screw 'em real good. Let's deny them their Constitutional rights. Yeah, that'd be cool." Hello! What?

Why didn't the students of this fair land rise up and do something? I say students because they, of all people, should be the educated mass that establishments fear. Sure you went out and voted; where did that get you? British students are no better; they've just let their government pass the Criminal Justice Bill that is aimed directly at destroying the lifestyle of the traveller. I'm not bitching at American students. I'm just bitching, and the more I bitch, the better I feel.

There was a time when student opinion meant something, something more than just a poxy little vote; there was a time when student opinion could help stop a war. It's no bloody good shouting and complaining the day after it's voted in. "Now there's nothing we can do about it. Let's get really angry and wave our arms." You may as well sit around and watch MTV while the nation goes to pot if you are going to ignore the fact that your voice counts. There's nothing like a motivated, angry student population to give a government the willies. So what has happened to the student voice of America?

My suspicions lie in the direction of the mass media. We no longer decide what is fashionable and what is not. It is not up to the American consumer as to what he or she wants. The media moguls can sell anything to anyone, and they're having a field day. Just look at all the tripe on TV, and just how many channels of tripe can the public soak up? The government doesn't need an evil conspiracy to suppress dissenting students. They're suppressing themselves by pissing about in their artificial little worlds, meandering aimlessly between hits of plastic reality, and what's more, they know it.

There are many great things about college life here but they are sadly overshadowed by so much narrow-minded torpor. The great bastion of innovative liberalism that was Campus America is dying in the clutches of an apathetic McCulture and no one gives a rat's arse. That is a sentence I feel really good about.

I've written this in the foulest of moods and pretty much off the cuff. Please, someone prove to me it's a crock of shite, so that by June next year, I have good reason not to stand outside the East Gate of UCSB bearing a placard that states "All hope abandon all ye who enter here."

Conor McKechnie is a third-year British exchange student.

Or...? "The Name Game"

...so-subtle changes made to their names? We'd have
"The Sun Also ..." and "Interview With Vampire," or
"Grapes of Wrath," and "War and ..." Completely different
titles! The changes are slight, but they make all the
difference. And I would find my humble work among
them, slightly different.

So does this mean I want my real title printed? Does
this mean I intend to rally the public to my side? Incite
the masses, lead a revolt, storm the office with a ma-
chine gun? Hell no!

I don't really care because I'm just happy these won-
derful people are foolish enough to let me write for
their paper once a week. It's cathartic. It lets me get my
creativity flowing, and it's one heck of a kick to sit in
class and watch somebody three rows up reading your
column instead of listening to lecture. My ego is strong
enough to handle a little editorial molding, even if it is
with my title, so I am now officially stating that the title
of my column is "Is It Me Or...?" and I intend to keep it
that way for as long as I write it, which is probably a

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...good thing because they most likely wouldn't have
changed it anyway. When it comes down to it, this
whole name thing has just been something annoying
that I like to joke with my friends about. Hence, writing
material.

So, the name. Have you figured it out yet? Here's a
hint. Go back and look at any of my columns, then take
the aforementioned title and put it together with the
first line of the piece. You're smart; you'll get it. And
then you can read the column again for good measure.
And if all this column-writing stuff sounds like fun to
you, well then, come on down and give it a try. Now
that Halloween and the elections are over, there's more
room, and Allison and William would love to see you.

But just a hint — keep the title short.
And now, as a peace offering, I'm off to spring for a
couple of Cokes for the two of them from the vending
machine. Hopefully, it'll enable me to write an "Is It Me
Or...?" for next week too. Does anybody have any
change?

Nexus columnist Matthew Nelson really has a way
of winning his editors' hearts ... or is it just us?

The Reader's Voice

Big Olaina Fan

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Dear Olaina Gupta,
After reading your column's preamble, "Wow!" seems to be the first and most lasting expression that comes to mind. From a quick comparison to Matt Leising's letter that appeared next to yours, how wonderful I find it that there is someone who appears willing, and hopefully able, to articulate significant opinions focusing on truth. And if not truth itself, at the very least, your perception of truth.

Though how unfortunate am I, and how cruel you must be, for leaving your readers in such a state of suspension and anticipation, for your aspirations have such worthy appearances, yet the all-important details remain securely concealed. And cruelty I must attribute to you again, and to your conspirator, the *Daily Nexus*, for dragging this torment out to seemingly unnecessary lengths by forcing your readers to wait an entire week before a taste of wisdom falls our way!

And what shape might this wisdom appear in — what mysteries of life will *The Candle and The Mirror* extend its hand of liberty towards? Will The Candle attempt to illuminate the nature of righteousness, morality and justice, and so, too, courage, virtue and character development; or perhaps offer an inspection of religions, a study of death and the possibility of God(s) and a human spirit? Might The Mirror reflect upon the differences between right and wrong, good and evil, opinion and knowledge, pleasure and happiness, vice and virtue, subjectivity and objectivity, materialism and spiritualism, free will and determinism, determinism and fatalism, fatalism and free will, mortality and immortality, creation and chemical evolution, creation and biological evolution? What truth lies before your readers?
Good luck, Olaina Gupta, and be

brave. I hope your intelligence and tenacity shine bright.

ADAM SANDBERG

Include the Kids

Editor, Daily Nexus:

This is regarding Colleen Valles' article ("Passage of 187 Ignites Protest Around Campus," *Daily Nexus*, Nov. 10). I would like to mention a truly important point that seemed to be overlooked. The 150-200 students from this campus were not the only people that showed up at the impromptu rally protesting the passage of Proposition 187. The article failed to recognize the 98 students from Dos Pueblos High School who marched early in the morning to join UCSB, and proceeded to march all day until they reached Storke Plaza, chanting and full of energy. They, too, are directly affected by the serious consequences of Prop 187, if not more so than the people who are eligible to vote.

I would like to commend the Dos Pueblos High School students on their excellent organization. This act of student movement only demonstrates that the right to vote is not the sole means of expression in our society. Protest, sit-ins and other forms of civil disobedience did not die in the '60s, but are very much alive in the '90s as an imperative voice that exists in our community. SUPPORT NONVIOLENT MEANS OF PROTEST! LET YOUR VOICES BE HEARD!
ERIN O'BRIEN

Not a Holiday

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am appalled at the way this university handles Halloween. It is bad enough that we have the *Gestapo* roaming our streets in order to keep us in line, but those of us with midterms on the day after Halloween had no place to study. The library was closed

at 6 p.m. Why? Is it a major holiday? No. I.V. is loud enough when we don't have midterms and need to study, but at least we have the library. Yet, Halloween comes around and everything needs to stop. This is ridiculous. I think our university should have thought about this before they planned our academic calendar, with midterms around Halloween.

On another note, I have never seen this university close because of a Jewish holiday. Does this mean that Halloween is more important than a religious observance? If this is the case, we are far behind in any type of equality.

BRENT D. SCHOLAR

Flush!

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Since I drink a lot of decaffeinated coffee, I often need to use the many bathrooms so conveniently scattered about our campus and, in the course of these unwilling searches, I have discovered something very interesting. In the math building, in the physics building, in the geology building — in fact, everywhere one would expect to find intelligence at work — the women don't seem to know how to flush the toilet. They understand Maxwell's Equations, they can read sonograms, they can talk to you about infinite-valued vector space, but they seem not to have mastered the use of this most basic of appliances. It's amazing. I know that these toilets work because I usually flush them myself, out of curiosity or disgust, and everything operated beautifully in them.

I'm afraid to even imagine the state of the bathrooms at Caltech, MIT or the Institute for Advanced Studies at Princeton. Perhaps as one's specialized IQ goes up, one's general abilities go down in direct proportion.

Maybe another coprophile has some ideas that might enlighten me.
LISA DAVIDSON

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GATHER

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The issue of departmental rights was also addressed. "We want to ... establish once and for all whether we have the same rights as other departments," Broyles-González said.

At this time, protests may continue indefinitely, according to Flores. "I don't know how long they'll continue in this form," she said.

Flores expressed satisfaction with the support El Congreso has received from Associated Students.

"It's good because we realize we're not alone out there and this is not just a Chicano issue," she said. "Today it's us, but tomorrow who is it going to be?"

Acuña voiced support for the protestors in their actions against the administration. "I thought it was a matter of time before

they would assert their colonial control," he said.

Community members were also present at the press conference to demonstrate their support for the department. "For [the administration], the Chicano Studies Dept. is not the same as other departments. For them, it is less than others," said Teresa Jurado, a Santa Barbara City College student.

Broyles-González believes open communication is crucial for a possible resolution. "I think it's very positive that the beginnings of a dialog are there," she said.

However, Broyles-González expressed dismay at El Congreso's need to protest. "It's distressing that students have to be angry to this point," she said.

Young said he was unable to comment due to his lack of involvement in the issues addressed.

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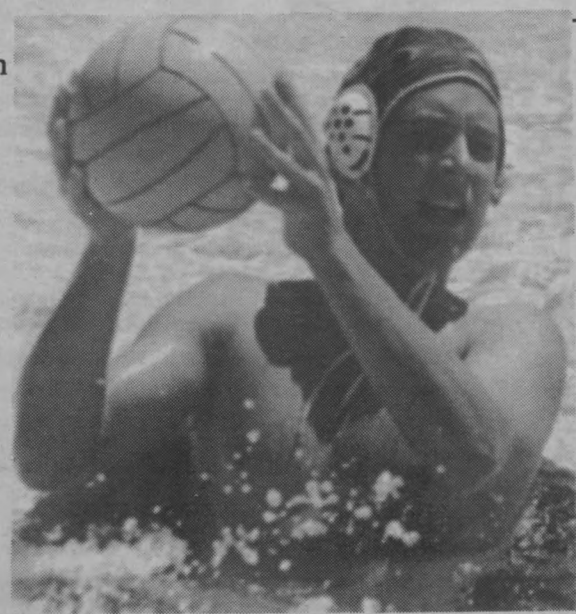


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ROLEX

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new and improved program. Notable performances were turned in by sophomore Eddie Weiss and freshman Stuart Huarte, each of whom played exceptional tennis over the course of their matches, according to Lowry.

While the UCSB squad may be young and talented, coach Lowry remains cautiously optimistic

about his team's chances in the upcoming season.

"There's no way we can walk into our league matches thinking that we're going to win," Lowry said. "The Big West Conference has become incredibly tough with the addition of schools such as Reno and Boise State. There are about seven teams that have a legitimate shot at winning the conference championships."

BALL

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players and two doubles teams in the quarterfinals was something to be proud of," Kirkwood said.

The Gauchos' aggressive style has been something that has brought the

team much success in recent years, and that manner of attack doesn't look to be changing any time soon.

"We have the same group of girls this year and our philosophy hasn't changed — strike first and don't be afraid to miss shots," Kirkwood said.

POLO

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good teams," senior driver Mike Strohecker said. "It might be fatigue or a lack of concentration. Against UCLA, a majority of the players were tired."

The Gauchos have one more home game, against UC Irvine Saturday at Campus Pool, in a game that will be UCSB's final contest of the 1994 season. The Anteaters (10-13) split four games this weekend for a seventh-place finish.

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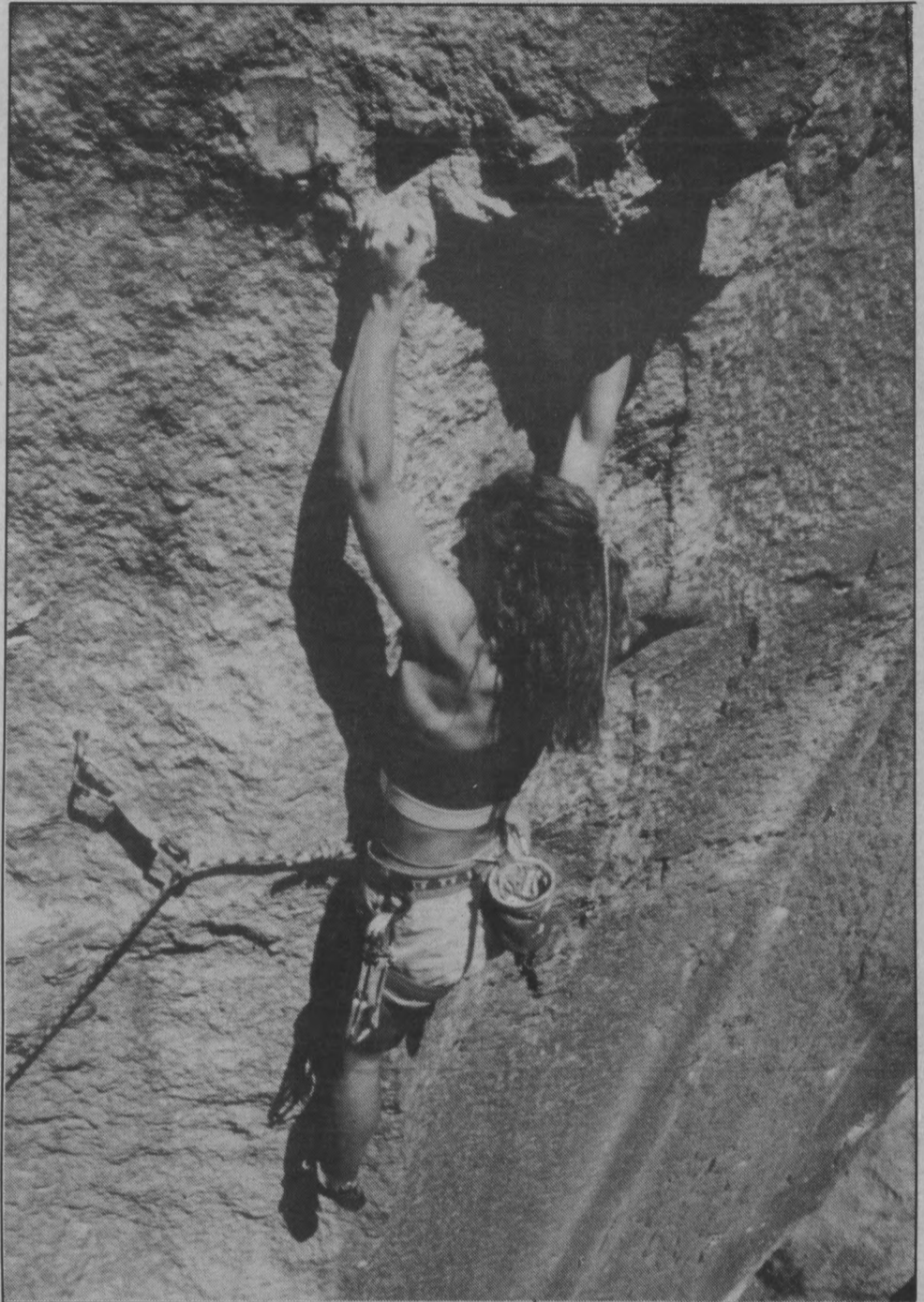
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Netters Attend Rolex Invite at UCI

By Mike Sauer
Reporter

After carefully scrutinizing the performance of the UCSB men's tennis team last weekend at the Rolex Regional Invitational Tournament at UC Irvine, Head Coach Don Lowry reached an important conclusion: time is definitely on the Gauchos' side.

"We have a strong nucleus of young players who are really going to help the squad down the road," Lowry said. "It's going to come down to how hard the guys want to work on

their game, as well as bringing in solid recruiting classes within the next couple of years."

With powerful, nationally ranked teams such as USC, UCLA and Pepperdine accepting invitations to the regional tournament, Lowry envisioned tough times for his squad.

"The guys didn't practice as much over the summer as we would've liked, so I didn't expect much going up against squads like UCLA," he said.

Leading the charge for the youthful Gauchos was freshman Alex Decret, ranked ninth in the Big West in singles play. De-

cret had a solid tournament, advancing to the third round with victories over UC Irvine's David Chang (6-3, 6-1) and Arizona's Stem Sumburg (6-3, 6-4). Decret then fell victim to eventual tournament winner Brett Hanson of USC, 6-4, 6-1.

"Alex played well in his matches and is gaining valuable experience for when our league schedule opens in January," Lowry said. "He's going to be our #1 singles player when the season opens."

Decret is not the only member of the Gauchos'

See ROLEX, p.10

Six Netters Achieve Quarterfinals

By Steven Large
Staff Writer

The Rolex Invitational proved to be a valuable stepping stone for the UCSB women's tennis team, as they showed that they could play with the elite teams throughout the nation.

The Gauchos advanced two singles players and two doubles teams into the quarterfinals of last weekend's invitational at UC Irvine, playing against

such high-powered teams as UCLA and USC.

"I thought it was a great tournament," Santa Barbara Head Coach Pete Kirkwood said. "This gives us an idea of where we are in the region. It put us back on track."

The Gauchos' Jean Okada and Lynn Coakley both advanced to the quarterfinals. Okada was then beaten (6-4, 6-4) by UCLA's Jane Chi, and Coakley was defeated by the Bruins' Stephanie Chi, 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.

On the doubles circuit, the team of Okada and Amelia White lost in the quarterfinals (6-1, 6-1) to the #1-seeded team in the region, UCLA's Carrie Phebus and Suzy Starch.

The team of Kelly Spencer and Lynn Coakley also made it to the quarterfinals, but were defeated by the #2-seeded team of USC's Suzy Italiano and Petra Schmit, 6-4, 7-6.

"To have two singles

See BALL, p.10

Water Polo Team Finishes Sixth at Tournament; 2 Losses to UCLA

By Chris Ganci
Staff Writer

"What might have been" has to be the motto of the UCSB water polo team, following an up-and-down weekend that saw the Gauchos play competitively but lose three of five matches in the MPSF Tournament. Santa Barbara (14-13 overall) finished sixth in the tournament, which was won by #1 seed Stanford.

The biggest frustration for the Gauchos has to be their inability to defeat UCLA. Santa Barbara played UCLA in their first and last matches of the weekend and lost two one-goal matches, with an overtime loss coming in the opener on Friday.

The overtime loss was close throughout as an early 2-0 Bruin lead marked the only time that either side led by more than one goal. Tied at seven in overtime, Gaucho Kevin Eggert scored to give UCSB a short-lived 8-7 lead. One minute later, UCLA's

Luther Weidner tied the match again, and in the second overtime period, a goal by Steve Covec won the game for UCLA.

"We didn't feel like they were the better team. We just could not put it together at the end," Santa Barbara senior driver Greg Knapp said.

On Saturday, the Gauchos pounded a depleted Long Beach State squad, 14-4, as eight UCSB players scored in the rout. That set up a showdown with eventual champion Stanford. The Gauchos held a 7-5 lead early in the second half, but an old trend popped up again as one dry spell by UCSB turned into a five-goal spurt that switched the momentum to the Cardinal, which held on for a 12-9 win.

"Stanford can capitalize on any little mistake," Knapp said. "That's their game plan and that's what they ended up doing."

On Sunday, the Gauchos found their old whipping boy, University of the Pacific, and beat them for the fifth conse-

cutive time, 12-8, leading off of six goals from junior two-meter man Colum Lavelle. That victory advanced the Gauchos to the fifth-place game against UCLA, one with NCAA Tournament implications. Unlike the first meeting, UCSB was in control for three quarters, leading 6-3 going into the fourth, after balanced scoring and tight defense.

Unfortunately, for whatever reason, the Gauchos could not put their nemesis from Los Angeles away, as the Bruins tied the game at six behind a pair of goals from Scott Turner and one from Weidner. Later in the fourth, with the game tied at seven, UCLA's Doug Krikorian scored the game winner.

Fatigue may have played a factor in UCSB's fourth-quarter collapse. The Gauchos were the only team in the tournament to play five matches.

"These momentum changes hurt us against

See POLO, p.10