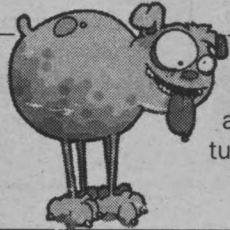




Happy Thanksgiving

The Nexus wishes everyone a safe trip and an appropriately gluttonous holiday feast.



What's That Smell?

Don't let our turds ruin your appetite for Mom's Thanksgiving turkey.

See Opinion p.4



Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team lost a 77-74 overtime game against USF Tuesday night, despite leading for most of the game.

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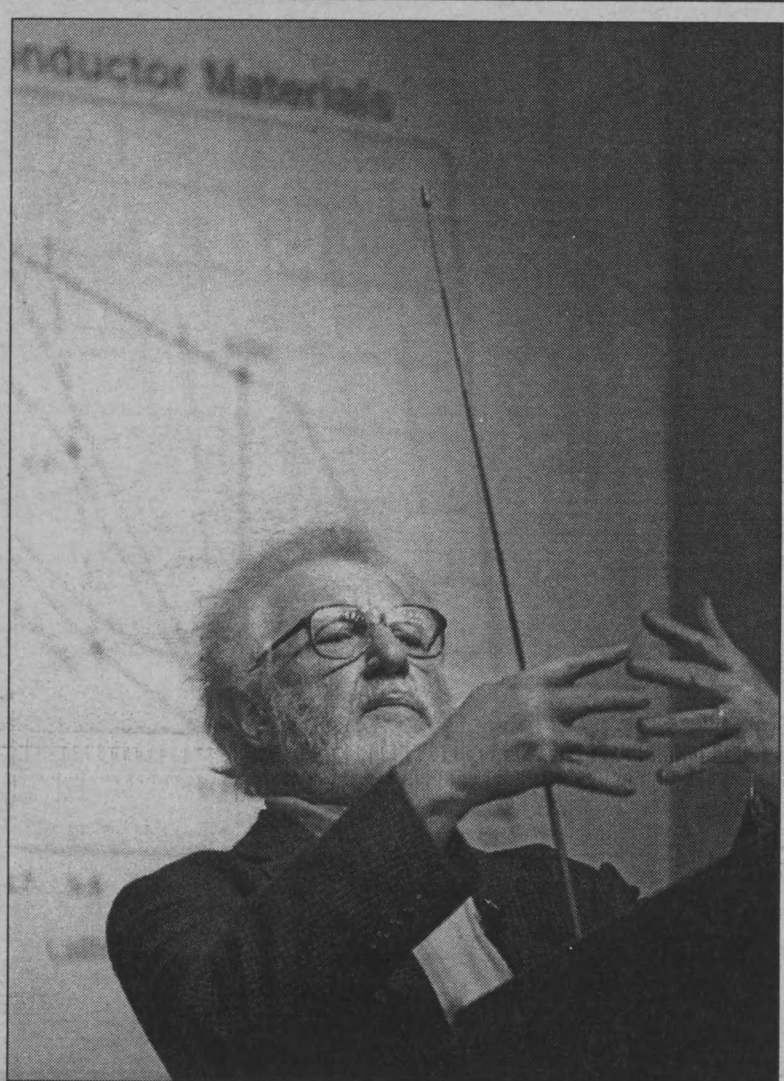
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Physics on his Fingers

Physics Nobel Laureate Professor Herbert Kroemer speaks to an audience in Corwin Pavilion about the applications of his achievements during a joint lecture Tuesday night with Chemistry Nobel Laureate Professor Alan Heeger.

Blood Sample Helps Uncover Cause of Local Deer Deaths

■ Scientists Suspect Mosquitoes or Ticks Transmit Viral Disease

BY YASMINE ABBASOV
Reporter

Deer, know your enemy: Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease.

The virus has already killed more than half of the 300 blacktailed deer in UCSB's Sedgwick Reserve. The deer at the 6,000-acre natural research center developed high fevers, brain hemorrhaging, blindness, deafness and erratic behavior before dying. The virus, however, only seems to infect

foothills of the Santa Ynez Mountains. When the deaths began two months ago, a number of potential causes besides a virus were put forward, including humans poisoning the deer. Scientists have now narrowed their suspect list to mosquitoes or ticks wielding Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease.

"Two weeks ago, we took

unable to struggle or run — a lucky find for biologists. Animals tend to hide any hint of injury or illness because predators read any sign of weakness as an invitation to dinner. The deer's condition made the sample especially useful because it meant the blood was more likely to contain the lethal virus.

Diane McClure, the campus veterinarian, said the deer's blood sample was tested for "virus isolation." The blood was sent to UC Davis, and schools as far away as Iowa

[T]he deer had a temperature of 106 degrees ... It had lost all abilities of hearing and sight.

— Michael Williams
Sedgwick Reserve director

deer, which is good news for the reserve's California condors and human caretakers.

The two-month-old outbreak initially appeared to affect only deer at Sedgwick Reserve, though deer carcasses have been recovered from the Woodstock and Rancho Siswoq Areas in the

our first good blood sample; the deer had a temperature of 106 degrees, which is some of the highest recorded for ungulates," Sedgwick Reserve Director Michael Williams said. "It had lost all abilities of hearing and sight."

The deer was discovered just before it died, feeble and

and Michigan, for testing. Blood cultures determined that the virus killing the deer is likely Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease.

"If it's that disease, which they're almost certain now, it only affects deer," Williams

See DEER, p.6

Online Company Closes as New State Law Bans Unauthorized Use of Notes

BY CHRISTINE BAI
Reporter

EDITOR'S NOTE — This is the second in a two-part series examining the recent closure of two online services targeting the student market. Today's article looks at the legislation that forced Versity.com, an online note-taking service, to stop offering Internet lecture notes.

The California legislature has decided that lectures are the property of the professors who give them, putting an end to the attempts of some online companies to offer students class notes.

Versity.com, which supplied lecture notes for over 150 universities across the country, ended its service in the midst of accusations that it did not protect professors' intellectual property. The company hired

student note-takers for as much as \$30 per lecture, then posted free notes on its web page for students, while pulling in advertising money to stay afloat.

The site did not require students to receive permission from the professor whose notes were being sold, and used amateur note-takers.

Faculty also had no way to check the accuracy of the notes posted on the Web.

In early fall, State Assembly member Gloria Romero authored a bill prohibiting the unauthorized recording and publication of professors' lecture notes at any UC, Cal State University, community college and private university in the state. Previously, the UC Code of Conduct banned such activities, yet no inclusive law for all state institutions of higher education existed.

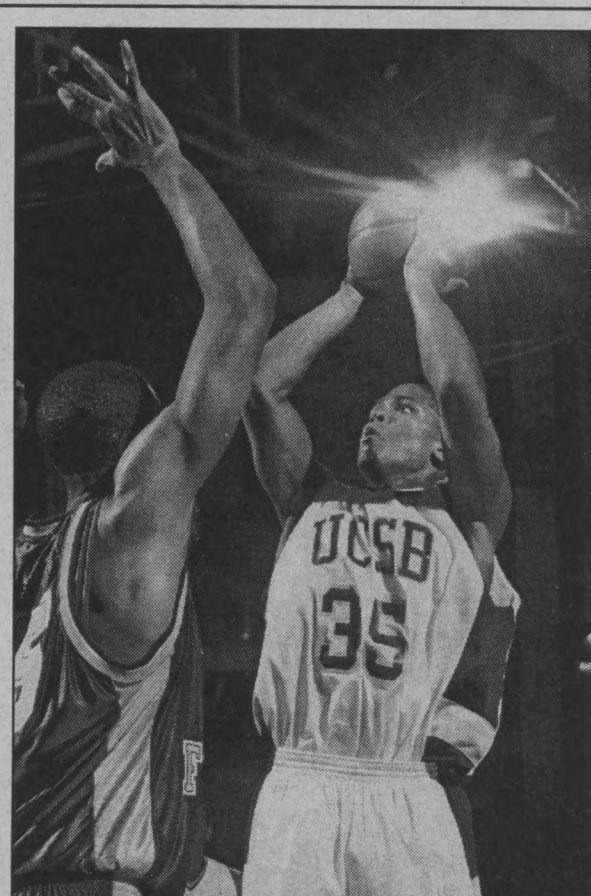
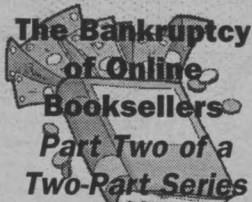
Companies that sell lecture notes without consent of university administration and faculty are now subject to civil penalty.

Campus note-taking services, such as Associated Students Notes, are still legal because they use professional graduate students as note-takers.

"We have a service contract ahead of time with the professor, which gives us permission to send out students to take notes for us," A.S. Notes Manager Chuck Wilson said. "Versity.com does not hire qualified grad students. They take professors' notes without permission and void the professor's patent. It is good that this bill was passed."

John Chapman, an associate professor of the dramatic art division of dance, said students lose out on their education once they resort to going online for lecture notes instead of actually attending lecture.

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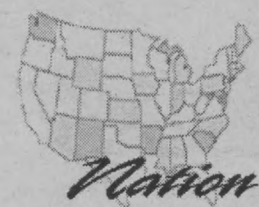
Seeing the Light

Sophomore guard B.J. Ward makes a jump shot during the men's basketball season opener against the USF Dons.

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Top of the News

Authorities Review Questionable Ballots



WASHINGTON (AP) — Recounts continued Tuesday as George W. Bush and Al Gore anxiously awaited word from the state Supreme Court on whether the tabulating will continue. Bickering elections officials in three Florida counties wrestled with the critical question of whether “dimpled ballots” — those that are indented but not punched — should count as votes.

Florida’s high court heard arguments Monday on whether manual recounts, the life’s blood of Gore’s campaign, should be allowed. The seven justices were still deliberating Tuesday evening and a court spokesperson said he did not know when the ruling would be issued.

Republican lawyers prepared to take an emergency appeal directly to the U.S. Supreme Court in

case the Florida court rules against them.

If the state high court shuts down the recounts, Gore could appeal. But two senior Democrats who have talked to him in the last 24 hours said he would almost certainly concede the election. They spoke on condition of anonymity.

“He understands at some point this thing is going to be over, and he’s

Whether Governor Bush or Al Gore benefits is beside the point. ... The process is flawed, regardless of who benefits.

— Tucker Eskew
Bush spokesperson

not going to appeal it ad infinitum,” said Democratic Sen. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, who was in Florida on Gore’s behalf. Like the sources, Kerrey had talked to Gore by telephone recently.

Democrats want three county canvassing boards to count hundreds of punch-card ballots with no holes poked out for the presidential race, giving Gore or Bush a vote when

an indentation is found next to their name. With the Texas Republican clinging to a 930-vote lead, the vice president’s advisers said they almost certainly cannot win Florida and the White House unless county officials discern the intent of voters whose ballots were not properly punched.

Gore had picked up 240 votes in recounts by

midday Tuesday, which if approved by the courts and added to official state totals would shave Bush’s lead to 690 votes out of 6 million cast. Bush has held his own in at least one of the counties, raising fears among Democrats that they will not overtake the Texas governor unless every possible ballot is counted.

In Broward County, where hundreds of ques-

tionable ballots are being set aside for later review, officials asked the Supreme Court to set a uniform standard for validating ballots. “It is imperative that it be resolved immediately,” the brief said.

Both sides acknowledged Tuesday that Gore stands to pick up hundreds of votes — perhaps as many as 1,500 with the most liberal approval standards. The three counties conducting recounts are predominantly Democratic, and voters from Gore’s party historically cast more faulty ballots than their GOP counterparts.

“We continue to be concerned about the narrow definition of voter intent,” said Democratic Party spokesperson Bill Buck.

“As far as the numbers, whether Governor Bush or Al Gore benefits is beside the point,” said Democratic Party spokesperson Tucker Eskew. “The process is flawed, regardless of who benefits.”

Egypt Calls Back Representative From Israel



GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — An angry and frustrated Egypt, blaming Israel for escalating violence, recalled its ambassador to Israel on Tuesday, but said it is not abandoning efforts to achieve peace.

Jordan, the only other Arab country that has a peace treaty with Israel, announced it was holding up accreditation of its new ambassador to Israel until the Jewish state halts its attacks on Palestinians.

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak said he was not happy with Egypt’s diplomatic move and that it did not contribute to Egypt’s role in the peace process.

The diplomatic blows came as new attacks fueled a spiral of violence in this seaside strip. An Israeli teenager and a Palestinian security officer were shot and killed in incidents just a few hours apart.

After nightfall, Israeli military transporters were seen delivering tanks and armored personnel carriers to army bases in Gaza.

“I don’t want to delude anyone. We are not on a picnic,” Barak said while visiting Israeli army headquarters in Gaza. “We are in a struggle. If we have to fight, we will know how to fight.”

Nearly 250 people have died in almost two months of fighting, with young Palestinians accounting for the vast majority of the dead.

Egypt’s unexpected announcement that it was recalling its ambassador to protest Monday’s rocket attacks on Gaza was a sharp blow to Israelis. The ambassador, Mohammed Bassiouny, was to leave Wednesday.

Along with the United States, Egypt has been one of the few countries that both Israel and the Palestinians have been willing to talk to during the recent crisis. With Egypt’s diplomatic rebuke, the channels for communication have narrowed.

“Of course I am not happy about the Egyptian decision,” Barak said. “Egypt has a role to play in the peace process, a positive role, and I don’t think that the decision to recall the ambassador contributes to continuation of this positive role.”

In Cairo, Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Moussa told reporters that Egypt had not abandoned the peace process or ruled out future contacts with Israel.

“If there is a meaningful idea or proposal, we shall work on it,” Moussa said.

Nevertheless, the prospects for ending the turmoil were bleak, and the hope of restarting peace negotiations appeared ever more distant.

AP Wire Shorts

MIAMI (AP) — A flight attendant preparing to clear an American Airlines jet after an emergency landing Monday was killed after he opened a door before the plane depressurized, authorities said.

Jose Chiu “was basically sucked out” onto the tarmac, said Nelda Fonticciella, a spokesperson for the Miami-Dade County Police Dept.

It was unknown whether the airplane had stopped when the door was opened.

Chiu, 34, was a 10-year employee based in New York.

The plane with 129 people on board was flying from Miami to Port au Prince, Haiti, when a cockpit warning light indicated an engine fire. The pilot made an emergency return to Miami less than 30 minutes after takeoff and was on a taxiway when the incident occurred.

There was no evidence of an engine fire, authorities

said. The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Thieves took two 200-pound air conditioning units, along with their concrete slabs, from Woodland Hills Christian Church.

Church officials said Monday the 200-pound units probably were stolen for resale as scrap metal, but scrap business experts disagreed, joking that the air conditioners would better serve thieves in a fiery afterlife than on the market.

“I’ve never heard of something like this,” police Detective Lindy Gligorijevic said.

Air conditioner installers said they occasionally hear about such thefts with thieves seeking quick cash for the copper contained inside the units.

The church said it would now install replacement air conditioners on the roof.

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Weather

Today, thousands of freshmen will make their first trips home since leaving for college. They’ll visit family, friends and high school sweethearts.

These are the same freshmen who have spent the past eight weeks indulging in the den of depravity that is dorm life. For the lucky ones, free from Mommy and Daddy, and drunk on the delicious cocktail of maximum freedom and minimum responsibility, those weeks have been an education in cheap booze, expensive drugs and casual sex.

Let me repeat the important parts there: visiting high school sweethearts ... education in casual sex.

That’s a volatile combination. For those of you stupid enough to try to maintain a long-distance relationship while faced with the libidinous temptations of UCSB, this weekend may be the end of the line. Break it off now before you have to explain that rash that’s been going around FT.

Wednesday’s forecast: Highs near 70 over the weekend, but you won’t be here anyway.

Police Report

Stories from the files of Isla Vista Foot Patrol.

Up in Smoke

At approximately 1:15 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 18, Isla Vista Foot Patrol officers patrolling Camino Pescadero observed a large cloud of smoke coming from the vicinity of the 900 block of Camino Pescadero.

According to IVFP reports, the officers saw what appeared to be two parts of a futon frame burning in the middle of the street. While watching the fire, the officers observed an unidentified male approach and kick the frame, causing half of it to fall away from the fire and continue smoking.

The officers then observed a 24-year-old male walk up, lift up part of the frame and throw it back onto the fire. The officers contacted the suspect and placed him under arrest for fueling a fire.

While returning to the IVFP station, the suspect apologized for fueling the fire and told the officers, "This was a stupid thing to do," and "I was trying to impress a girl." When the officers told the suspect they were going to be completely honest with him, he said, "Since you are being honest with me, I want to be honest with you; I have some marijuana in my jacket pocket."

Upon arrival at the IVFP sta-

tion, the officers recovered a clear plastic baggie of marijuana from the suspect's left-side jacket pocket.

The suspect was issued a citation for fueling a fire and possession of less than one ounce of marijuana. He was cited and released; the marijuana was taken as evidence.

Close Only Counts in Horseshoes and Hand Grenades

At approximately 12:05 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 17, IVFP officers patrolling the intersection of Camino del Sur and Sabado Tarde Road observed a 19-year-old male staggering westbound on Sabado Tarde.

According to IVFP reports, as the suspect was walking, he picked up a plastic cup in the roadway and threw it at the vehicle driving on Camino del Sur, just missing it. When the officers contacted the suspect, they noticed he had red watery eyes, an unsteady gait and a strong odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from his person.

The suspect was arrested for public intoxication and transported to the Santa Barbara County Jail, where he was housed pending sobriety.

Goodness Gracious, Great Ball of Fire

At approximately 1:50 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 18, IVFP officers patrolling the 6500 block of Pardall Road observed a ball 8 inches in diameter, made of a metal frame covered in cloth, on fire in the middle of the road.

Reports state the officers saw a 21-year-old male walk up to the ball, grab it, spin it in a circle several times and throw it, flinging flaming cloth and debris into the street.

When confronted, the suspect said, "I was just moving it out of the street." The ball was still in the middle of the street and was no closer to being out of the road.

The fire department responded and put out the fire. When the officers asked the suspect why, if he wanted to help, he did not call the fire department, the suspect said, "I'm not obligated to."

The suspect had red watery eyes, and was confused when given simple instructions.

The suspect was arrested for public intoxication, transported to the Santa Barbara County Jail and housed pending sobriety.

— Compiled from the Isla Vista Foot Patrol Reports by Jennifer B. Siverts

VERSITY

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"Nothing is ever simple in this world," he said. "I have to confess that I don't like to see students who don't come to lectures do well in courses. There is something that just does not seem right about it. Maybe it is that listening and taking good notes is

part of the learning process. Being able to extract the important points and themes of a lecture for yourself is an important skill and if you simply use notes prepared by someone else, you're missing out."

However, he added that he could see no moral or ethical reason for preventing people from sharing or

even selling lecture notes if they want to. "Really the problem is with the system of testing," he said. "The lectures should contain material that [a person] simply reading lecture notes wouldn't do well [on]."

Senior art studio major Joseph Chong said the law is necessary to protect pro-

fessors and students from the wrong information.

"I think it should be regulated by the school," he said. "Education is the number one priority, so you want the student to receive something approved by the professor. Who knows what the notes are about if they aren't approved?"

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't let your personal partner get you down. Disharmony is always difficult for you to deal with. Get out with friends and don't worry about your mate's erratic behavior. 2 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't get involved in love triangles. Concentrate on working well with colleagues today. Opportunities will surface if you do your job well. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't be afraid to make career changes or start your own small business. You can attend seminars that deal with business opportunities. 4 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You can expect to have problems on the home front. Don't push your luck by putting demands on those you live with. Let your partner do as he or she pleases. 2 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Criticism will not sit well with you today. Put your efforts into group activities where you will be appreciated for your insight and fortitude. Your emotional life may be unsettled. 3 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may endanger your position. Don't be too quick to make snap decisions or judgments. It could result in being out of a job. Hold your tongue for the time being. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can expect deception from friends. Don't get too worked up or eager to retaliate. Channel your energy into love connections instead. Join clubs and you will meet new companions. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): This will not be the best day if you are overindulgent. You'll damage your reputation if you say things that hurt other people's feelings. Problems with females will result in anxiety. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't lend or borrow money or possessions. You will be in a predicament if someone asks you to repay sooner than you had expected. Be prepared and budget more carefully. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): This will not be the best day to ask for a raise. Your job may be on the line if business hasn't been up to par. You will have to work extra hard to maintain your position. 2 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You should be considering pleasure trips or signing up to further your education. You will have more energy to pursue your interests. Don't let your emotional partner curtail your freedom. 4 stars

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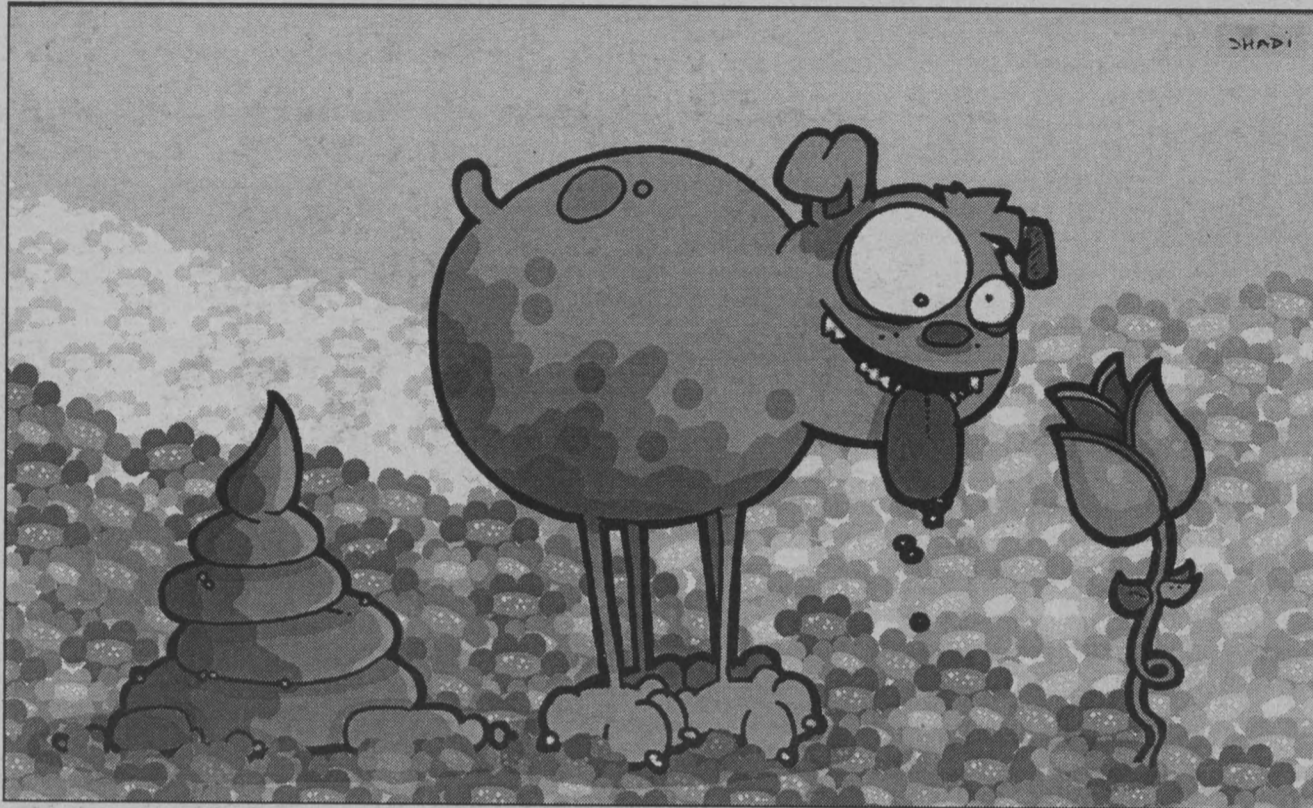
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Turds and Tulips

The Nexus Talks Turkey, Hands Out Flowers and Feces for Recent Happenings



A relieved bouquet of tulips to the four-day weekend (or five-day weekend, depending on your academic commitment) and to all those professors who canceled class on Wednesday.



A conniving turd to those professors who plan to discuss the final exam during Wednesday lectures.



An enormous Thanks-for-Giving tulip to local groups and individuals organizing food drives over the holiday weekend.



A stagnant turd to the sinks full of dirty dishes that will be left to rot and fester until students return on Monday.



A second helping of tulips to Mom's Thanksgiving dinner.



An "I can't get my shit together to save my life" turd to the state of Florida for botching the 2000 election.



A professional tulip to the *Independent* for not being sucked into the Florida melodrama and publishing a stellar piece on violence in the Middle East.



A stop-and-go turd to holiday traffic.



A clement tulip for the Thanksgiving turkey that receives a presidential pardon each year.



A historical turd to early American colonists. Native Americans could have called it, "Thankstaking." Assholes.



A discount tulip to Thanksgiving sales, beginning at 7 on Friday morning.



A boring turd to drunken relatives that you only see at Thanksgiving, and their perpetual nagging about your life's intentions.



A cyber tulip to the brand new *Daily Nexus* web page and staff.



A smoky, and oh-so-ripe turd to Associated Students for trying to ban cigarette sales on campus.



A preemptive tulip to Chancellor Henry Yang, who will hopefully reject the A.S. proposal.

The Reader's Voice



Letters to the editor **MUST** include the author's FULL name, phone number, year and major.

FENCE WILL NOT KEEP PEOPLE OUT

Editor, *Daily Nexus*:

Beach access is a commonly used public resource, and people tend to walk around, or over, fences that stand in their way. The recent fencing at the end of Ocean Road demonstrates this point well. According to a fence construction supervisor, the fencing was put up

around the new construction site to keep people out for safety reasons. This past weekend, I discovered that fencing had also been put up both in front of the unsafe beach access at the end of Del Playa and near the Lagoon. This diverted people from established paths (and the fastest route to the beach) to an old paved road that has its own hazards. The construction of a new building does not justify attempting to redirect beach access. At the end of DP, people walk around the fence on both sides, choosing either a narrow, dangerous and quickly

eroding path or a path onto private property. Near the Lagoon, the fence directs people substantially out of their way. People are already going over the fence at one end and through vegetation at the other. The fence will not keep people out, and it negatively impacts the UCSB coastline by increasing erosion, danger and the number of paths. The university should not have funded this to begin with, and should not pay to repair the fence as people damage it.

CRAIG REVELL

The Low Down

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DAVID DOWNS

In an ideal scenario, a monster 8.3 earthquake would roar out of a dormant fault line in the Santa Barbara Channel and reduce Isla Vista to rubble.

This monster quake would also generate a 75-foot tsunami bouncing between the Channel Islands and Del Playa like a cannonball in a kiddie pool. The torrent of seawater would be the final enema for this vernal pool of degenerate children and struggling minorities, most of whom landed in Isla Vista by no fault of their own.

But we have no ideal scenarios, and of course, the reality is much, much worse. No tsunamis are coming to cleanse the old Chumash land, just a crew of developers with some newfangled ideas for the most depraved housing experiment east of the Mississippi.

I've been talking to Isla Vistans about Isla

Vista for longer than

most reporters

should and they dis-

appoint me almost

every time. For every

activist who knows

their stuff, 100 fools

spout off about how,

"The landlords need

to be evicted, man!" or

"These rotten kids

shouldn't be able to vote."

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BRENDEN BUHLER

Today's gubernatorial civics lesson: It isn't bribery if the \$2.4 million dollars is nonprofit.

Gray Davis, our democratically bought and paid-for governor, is a busy man. Raising \$21 million for a re-election campaign in two years is no mean feat. Luckily, the man has generous friends who, purely by happenstance, do business with the state and would hate to see our good governor waste away on only his salary. That's why they set up charitable organizations for a needy governor: \$234,000 to keep the mansion in trim, \$664,000 for travel and at least \$1.5 million for a movie star party at last summer's Democratic National Convention.

Brother, can you spare a dime?

Jerry Brown, California's first and damn well likely last guru governor, slept on a mattress on the bare floor of an apartment when he was in office. The man in Gov. Gray's flannel suit prefers the fine lumbar "get a good night's sleep" support of nonbribe bribes.

Naturally, this is because Davis *cares* a helluva lot about the taxpayer. Joe and Joette Six-Pack already have so much to pay for in this state — such as giant animal factory prisons and the war against Humboldt County's lethal pot plants — that it would just be a crime to make them foot the bill for an honest governor.

Gary South, Davis' top strategist and gunslinger, told *Los Angeles Times* Reporter Don Morain that, "It's the governor's belief that it's more appropriate to do the activities with private funds rather than tax funds."

Remember: There's nothing at all disreputable about these donations because, as Davis' chief fundraiser said to the *Times*, "The governor doesn't do any soliciting." Of course not — the left and right hands have no idea where the money in the back pocket came from. Neither does the

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Needs Is a Good Flushing

zarrre settlement. Isla Vista isn't a city, and it's not a town. It's just this freaky little corner of a massive Santa Barbara County, stretching from Ventura to SLO. Once upon a time, a bunch of crazy hippies tried to make I.V. a real city, but they failed honorably and moved away. Every cityhood attempt since the hippies has also failed and I.V. will never be a city for a few reasons.

Almost all Isla Vistans rent, and as a voting power, they are swallowed up by the vastness of the county. If I.V. were its own city, the mutant voting block of college kids and immigrants could do horrible things like control their rent and ban law enforcement from bothering stoners and alcoholics. This is as close to a nightmare as most politicians, or mitholelords, get.

Note: I refuse to call the owners of I.V. "landlords" because the term gives them some weird semiotic power. Realistically, they are mitholelords and should be required by law to

hold that title until their buildings meet some reasonable code for decency. Then, and only then, could they legally change their title from "shit-holelord" to "overpriced-closetlord."

Anyway, a city of I.V. would equal "Power to the People," and the Man is not very down with that. What the Man is down with is redevelopment. This is a catchword for local governments' attempt to fix something they screwed up long ago. See, Isla Vista started back in the '50s when

a few, very smart, white men realized beach-side property next to a UC college was going to be worth bank. When Santa Barbara County drew up plans for I.V., the smart, white men made sure it could fit as many rich-ass college students as possible in a three-quarter square mile. "All they come with is a surfboard and some clothes," said the developers, and then promptly doomed the town to the density of a Palestinian refugee camp.

There is no parking in I.V. because businessmen 50 years ago didn't think 20,000 people would be bringing Land Rovers in addition to their surfboards and swimsuits. Isla Vistans live in small, rundown shitholes because that's what they zoned them to be.

It used to be a lot worse. Kids in 1970 used the rocks that made up every yard to pelt National Guardsmen who were going house to house beating heads. Ask any old timer who was here when the feces hit the fan, and they'll tell you it's nicer here with the parks and the community centers. These are not senile meanderings — the color green prevents riots and is soothing to the medulla oblongata.

The worst thing about change in I.V. is that it's so cyclical. This isn't the first time the county has decided it has some extra money to treat the open sore of the South Coast. They tried in the early '90s, nothing happened, and I'm not holding my breath this time around. Remember, this is a town that paves its roads 10 years too late. Cynicism isn't my problem, reality is.

But despite the funk, the mayhem and the cops, I love I.V. It comes from being a fan of imperfection. I'm just not interested in anti-



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septic cul-de-sacs with crappy names like Peaceful Court and Darling Drive. My young blood prefers the stank and the funk of Sabado Tarde 10 minutes after 2 a.m. when you have an equal chance of fighting or fucking, depending on the strangers you run into.

My tsunami scenario comes back to mind because it would be a good way for this shining I.V. to check out — sudden and tragic, like James Dean in his Porsche. The more plausible scenario is a slow descent into mediocrity

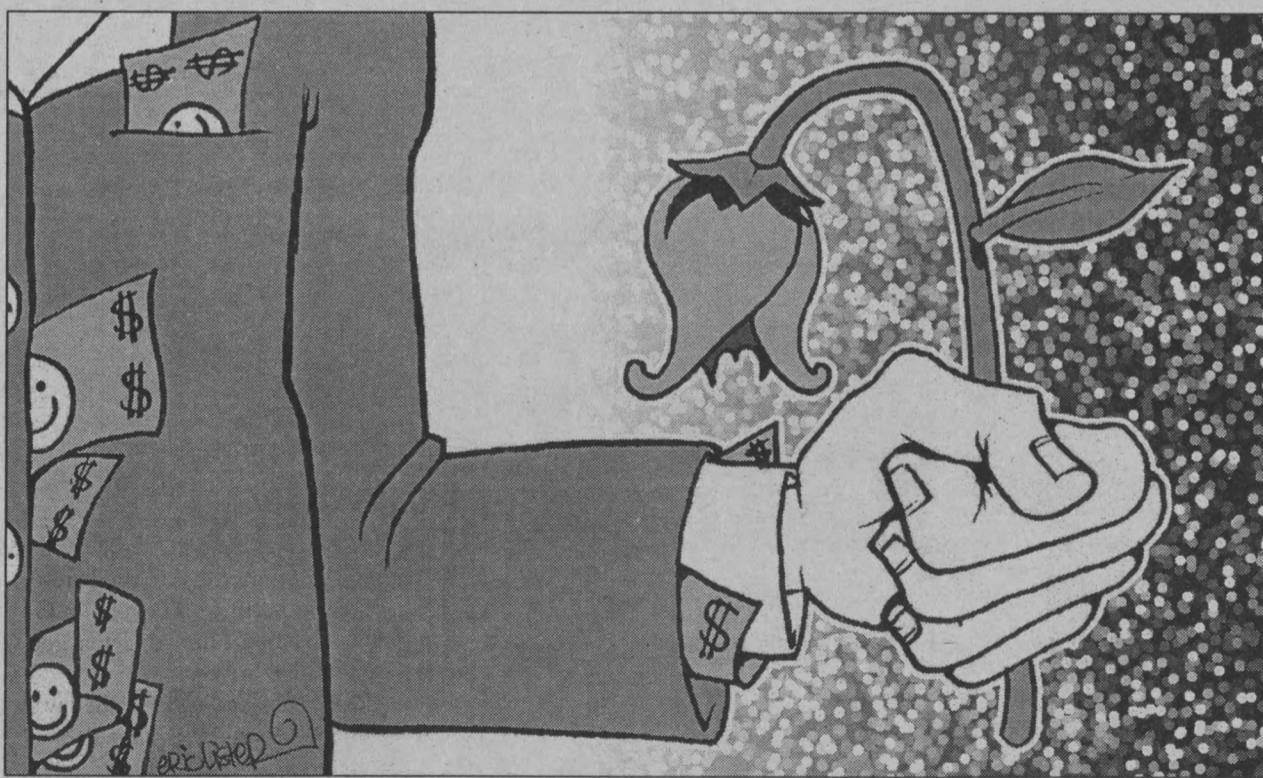
as this Valhalla's soul erodes with the sandstone cliffs, but I remain optimistic.

There's always global warming and a corresponding rise in sea level.

David Downs is taking several books home with him over Thanksgiving to fool his parents into thinking he's getting edumacated. His apocalyptic column appears every Wednesday, tsunamis be damned.

Organizations Put the Green in Gray

Governor's 'Benevolent Buddies' Provide Exorbitant Expense Accounts for Personal Use



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public, really, because the money goes through nonprofit organizations that are not subject to the disclosure laws that campaign donations are.

Also remember: These are not political contributions, oh heavens no, they are charitable "adopt-a-governor" donations from corporations because people care, people do. People like Jack Coffey of Chevron, who oversees his company's donations, will spend \$50,000 on Davis' wine 'n dine in L.A. Actually, Coffey was willing to own up to the dough being a dollar-sign-bearing love note to the governor.

"We recognized we were getting involved in the political process," he told the *Times*. "Yeah, it may not be campaign money. But it is political money."

Pacific Telesis, however, has more faith in the benevolent nature of the \$320,000 it gave for partying in the city of damned angels. The company has a few issues before the state government, such as its request to enter the long-distance telephone market, but this is purely a coincidence, spokesman Bill Mashek told the *Times*.

"It was not a political contribution," he said, "but rather a ... charitable contribution."

Pacific Telesis is not bribing the governor, oh my no, it likes the nightlife. It likes to boogie. And if boogying with a bunch of powerful white guys happens to cost \$320,000, well hey, you got to pay to party with the Party.

Some fellow revelers: British Petroleum Amaco gave \$200,000, and Cadiz Inc, Metabolife International and State Farm Insurance coughed up \$50,000 each.

The remaining \$1.67 million or so is unaccounted for, thanks to the nonprofit nondisclosure business. What is this money going for? A remarkable \$41,397 was needed to maintain the governor's mansion last year and another \$448 on cable television. Also in 1999, there was a \$161,000 dinner for then-President of Mexico Ernesto Zedillo and \$64,000 for a two-week trade mission trip to Europe. All of these treats, and more, were paid for by the governor's benevolent buddies.

I need benevolent buddies. It isn't right that the *Daily Nexus*, a student publication partially funded by student money, should be forced to pay for any part (and if you've seen the checks, you know it's a very small part) of my housing, transportation, eating, boozing and whoring. This should be done with private money (defined as "not mine"), which is why I am establishing the nonprofit Journalist Inebriation Fund.

Who would donate? Well, naturally I couldn't know, but my advisers assure me that nearly anyone's money would be welcome, be they a corporate CEO, local businessman, drug runner, white-slave trafficker or even a UCSB student.

And remember: Your contribution would be a charitable contribution, which means something entirely different than "money to get me blitzed and naked in a motel pool with a half-dozen unsuccessful actresses."

If you wish to contribute to the Journalist Inebriation Fund, drop off an unmarked, cash-filled envelope at the Daily Nexus office under Storke Tower — your patriotism will be appreciated by Brendan Buhler, an assistant campus editor who's column, "Black Box," appears only when sufficient gin money can be located.

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DEER

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Identifying the disease is an important step in containing it. Deer are still dying, but one hope is that the disease will burn itself out by spring.

"The virus is an orbivirus, moved around by biting insects," said Samuel Sweet, associate

professor of ecology, evolution and marine biology. "This sort of thing pops up occasionally, then suddenly disappears." It results in "increased pressure in brain and spinal fluids, which leads them to suffer a whole series of strokes. The pressure is not pleasant."

If mosquitoes are infecting the deer, the plague could end by win-

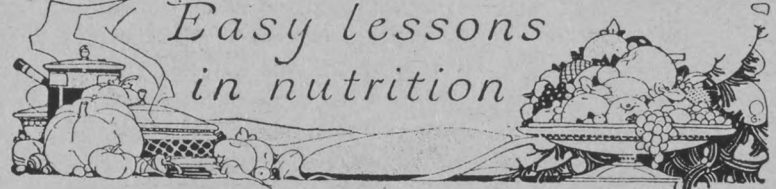
ter, Sweet said.

"Because of the first few frosts, the mosquito transmission cycle is probably gone because they can't withstand the cold," he said.

On the other hand, if weather-resistant ticks are transmitting the Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease, the virus could last an indeterminate amount of time.

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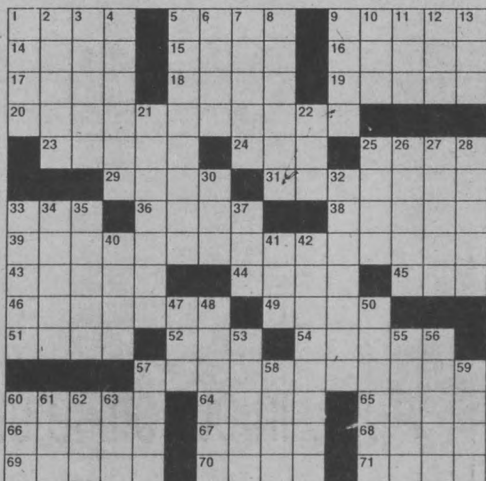
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Dons' Frontline, Poor Free Throws Foil UCSB in OT



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Sophomore guard B.J. Ward drives in hard against a USF defender during the Gauchos' 77-74 overtime loss to drop Santa Barbara to 0-2. UCSB plays at BYU this Saturday.

By JASON SMITH
Reporter

UCSB's home opener was spoiled Tuesday night by a burly San Francisco team in a nail-biting 77-74 overtime loss at the Thunderdome.

Santa Barbara (0-2) hurt themselves with poor free throw shooting down the stretch, enabling the Dons to win their first game of the year. Sophomore forward Mark Hull led UCSB with 18 points on 7-12 shooting. USF forward Darrell Tucker stole the show by pumping in a game-high 22 points, while 7'0" teammate Hondre Brewer contributed 13 points, 8 blocks and 13 rebounds.

The lively crowd and swarming man defense rattled the Dons and enabled the Gauchos to take a 33-23 halftime lead. Santa Barbara created quality shots on aggressive guard penetration and excellent ball distribution. UCSB shot 50 percent from the field in the first half, while the Dons shot a meager 35 percent.

UCSB started pulling away from USF after Hull threw down a two-handed jam for a 35-24 lead with 18 minutes remaining. However, the Dons slowly chipped away at the lead by capitalizing on their height advantage. Brewer scored all 13 of his points in the second half.

"We will have to get better defensively on the ball," UCSB Head Coach Bob Williams said. "We don't have a shot blocker considering Adama [Ndiaye] is out. We will have to play better team defense and prevent the opposition from getting down low in the future."

The Dons went on an 11-3 run after trailing by 12 to cut the Gaucho lead to 41-37 with 14 minutes left. Senior guard LaRon Bryant, who scored 15 points, momentarily stopped USF's momentum with a deep three and a right baseline

jumper.

Don guard Ali Thomas hit his third trey of the second half to give his team its first lead of the game at 59-56 with 4:30 on the clock. Hull answered with a jumper, but USF guard James Lee responded with a three-point play off a fast break layup.

Senior forward Juliano Jordani was called for an intentional foul while trying to block a Brewer dunk that led to a free throw and a three on USF's following possession. UCSB got the ball back with under a minute to play trailing 66-64. Sophomore guard B.J. Ward rocked the Thunderdome crowd after penetrating the lane and slamming down a thunderous dunk while being fouled. After the free throw, the Gauchos led 67-66 with 48 seconds remaining.

Tucker got the ball down low and hit a jump hook to recapture the lead with 38 seconds left. With the crowd on its feet, Ward got the call again and converted a swiping layup to gain a one-point advantage. With no time outs remaining, the Dons quickly took the ball straight to the hole. Forward Eugene Brown was fouled and he connected on one free throw to tie the game at 69-69. The Gauchos had one last chance with 9 seconds remaining, but Ward's jumper was off.

"I saw openings, so I took advantage of them," Ward said. "Coach emphasized that we should take the ball to the hole."

The Dons capitalized on UCSB's poor free throw shooting in the overtime period to snuff out any Gaucho victory. Santa Barbara had a chance to tie the game with 20 seconds remaining, but could not find an open man and Jordani was forced to take a three that was off target.

"It's frustrating that we tried so hard and couldn't pull the game out in the end," junior forward Mike Vukovich said.

Santa Barbara Will End Season Hosting Cougars with Playoff Positions at Stake

By KEITH BUSAM
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The #14 Santa Barbara women's volleyball team will battle #13 Brigham Young University on Friday night at 7 in what will be the Gauchos' last home and regular season match of the year.

Although the two teams have not met since the Cougars won in three games on Oct. 23, 1998, no one on either side is having a tough time finding motivation for the game, even though both teams are locks for the NCAA Tournament in December.

"Just because we are already in the tournament doesn't mean that we don't have to worry about where we are seeded in the tournament," junior All-American setter Brooke Rundle said Tuesday. Rundle has been to "The Big Dance" every year of her career, and she knows a thing or two about the importance of a

good seed.

"I have seen teams that were not really that good go deep into the tournament because of where they were seeded," Rundle said. "For once it would be nice to get a pretty good seed."

Seeding isn't the only thing at stake Friday night; pride is also on the line for both clubs. Both squads have a record of 23-6, and one last win for either team could move them ahead in the final poll of the regular season.

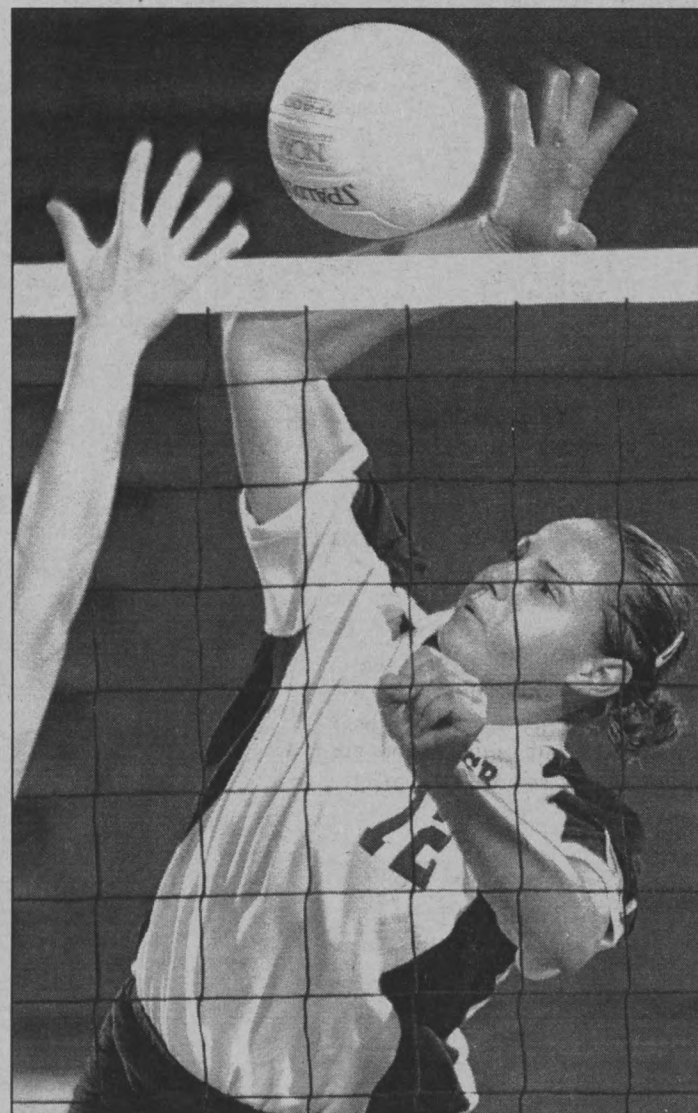
The key factor in the matchup will be the fact that both teams are peaking as the season is ending. BYU recently won a tournament at Colorado State by knocking off the hometown favorites in #5 Colorado State, which fields one of the best teams in the country, and also handling a solid Wyoming program.

UCSB has not played a ranked team for quite some time, but it is riding its longest winning streak of the year, having logged eight consecutive victories. Two of

those wins came over #19 Utah State and #16 Santa Clara. The Gauchos' last loss came to then #4 USC back on Oct. 24.

Adding to Santa Barbara's chances of victory is the return of freshman outside hitter Erica Menzel. Menzel missed four matches earlier this month with a severe ankle sprain, but Head Coach Kathy Gregory has been working her back into the line-up in recent matches hoping to give her confidence while not re-injuring Menzel's ankle. Although Menzel is just a freshman, she has played a major role on this year's squad both on offense and defense. Menzel was named Big West Player of the Week on Sept. 25 for her outstanding performances against Long Beach State and Pacific.

"We don't have anything to be worried about against [BYU]," sophomore outside hitter Brooke Niles said. "We have a great team, and we just need to go out and play our game."



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UCSB will try to knock off the Cougars in the Gauchos' last regular season match in the T-dome and gain good seeding for the Tourney.

Check out the Women's Volleyball match this Friday at 7 p.m. in the T-dome vs. BYU