Voice an Opinion

There is an Isla Vista town hall meeting tonight at 6:30 with 3rd District Supervisor Gail Marshall at the University Religious Center at 777 Camino Pescadero.



Emo, Anyone?

Artsweek interviews The Promise Ring, plus the student director of "Bash."

See Artsweek p.1A



UCSB Conquers Titans

The women's basketball team thrashed Fullerton in Wednesday evening's basketball contest at the Thunderdome.

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Plan Seeks to Alleviate Hardship on Homeless

Board Reviews Proposal for Parking in Overnight Sites

By Alison Dougherty

Reporter

If passed, a new county proposal would permit the Santa Barbara homeless to legally count sheep in their cars within designated areas.

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors is considering the proposal, intended to reduce the strain on the county's homeless population. The proposal, initiated by 3rd District Supervisor Gail Marshall, would allow people with cars but no place to live to park legally and rent-

free in designated overnight areas. The board will hear the finalized proposal April 17.

"This will provide folks somewhere to park where it will be legal and safe," said Mark Chaconas, Marshall's executive assistant. "We want to establish some reasonable locations, such as church parking lots, for people to camp in their cars when they have nowhere else to go at night."

The proposal is based on a similar program in Eugene, Ore., which

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A new county proposal will allow homeless and transient individuals like "Guitar Dave" with automobiles to sleep in their cars in designated areas. A similar program is already in place in Eugene, OR.

Sheriff's Dept., Council Award Locals for Community Action

By REBECCA TUREK
Reporter

Law enforcement officials honored local caretakers and vigilantes, who have helped take a bite out of crime in the last year.

The Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Dept. and Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Council held the 18th Annual Concerned Citizen Award ceremony Wednesday to honor citizens in the community who performed acts of bravery and kindness to assist the Sheriff's Dept. This year, 18 people were recognized at the luncheon ceremony, held at Timber's Restaurant in Goleta.

Two types of awards were presented — the Community Spirit Award, given to a person who voluntarily provided their time or resources toward assisting law enforcement, and the Concerned Citizen Award, given to a person involved in reducing crime in the community. The Concerned Citizen Award began as a way to communicate the importance of civilian involvement in law enforcement, Public Information Officer Lt. Mike Burridge said.

"This is the 18th year of the Concerned Citizen Award and the second year of the Community Spirit Award. We made the Community Spirit

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Lynda Pepin of Solvang shakes hands with Dave Fortson, representing Assemblymember Hannah-Beth Jackson, as she is presented Wednesday with a Concerned Citizen Award.

Leg Council Approves Revisions to Election Code, Discusses Base Fee

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Leg Council This Week

BY ANGELA POTTER Staff Writer

In an attempt to avoid a Florida-

type disaster, Associated Students Legislative Council took almost twoand-a-half hours to pass an amendment eliminating runoffs in the upcoming A.S. elections.

Declaration of Candidacy Forms required to run for A.S. offices come out

on Friday, leaving Leg Council little time to approve the new Election Code. However, there was time to debate several areas of the "E-Code" that would change the way elections are run.

According to the old By-Laws, a candidate needed 50-plus-one percent of the votes to win an executive office. If that was not achieved, a separate run-off election was held between the top two candidates, and only those students who voted the

first time were permitted to vote in the runoff.

Historically, voter turnout has decreased dramatically between general elections and run-off elections. Last year, voter numbers decreased by approximately 50 percent between the two elections.

Off-Campus Rep Jonathan Kalinski said the current system needed to be reworked to achieve maximum use of votes from general elections.

"The system currently in place is a

joke," he said, "and allows for the hijacking of elections."

Instead, voters will now pick two candidates for each executive office. If no one receives a majority of votes, the top two candidates will advance. Then, the second votes of everyone who did not vote for one of the top two candidates would be added to the original totals, and whoever receives more total votes would be declared the winner.

Several people, including Goodspeed Intern Mel Fabi, felt the new system was too confusing and worried it could even

decrease voter turnout.

"The more confusing it gets, the less people are going to vote," he said. "I'm also worried mistakes will be made in the tallies."

The bill passed by a vote of 17-3-1.

In other news, a C o n s t i t u t i o n a l Amendment that would increase the A.S. Base Fee was discussed and then referred to the Base Fee Committee for further consideration. Currently, the \$9.10

Base Fee is charged to all undergraduates at the beginning of every quarter and helps pay for various student services.

The proposed amendment calls for an increase of \$5.90, bringing the total Base Fee to \$15, and provisions for inflation. No constitutional amendment can be enacted without the approval of the student body, and so the proposed increase would be on the ballot in the A.S. elections this spring.

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Investigators Suspect Sub Detected Boat



WASHINGTON (AP) - For the first time, federal investigators are saying the crew of the USS Greeneville detected a surface ship in the area where the submarine later collided with a Japanese boat carrying high school students training to become commercial fishermen.

A crewman who was plotting sonar readings also told investigators he was distracted by civilian guests in the control room and halted his work.

The revelations came as the Navy delayed a rare court of inquiry until Monday in order to give the submarine's three top officers more time to prepare, officials said.

three-member The court will examine the facts of the incident that sank the Japanese ship, leaving nine of the 35 people aboard missing at sea,

step. One possibility is moving directly to courtsmartial and skipping the military-style grand jury procedure known as an Article 32 hearing, senior Navy officials Wednesday.

The decision on the next step will be up to Adm. Thomas Fargo, the four-star commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet.

monitor ships in the area south of Oahu.

But the fire control technician, who plots the submarine's position using sonar contacts in order to prepare to fire at targets, told investigators his duties were interrupted less than an hour before collision, Hammerschmidt said. The technician is not a sonar

and recommend the next worked uninterrupted to fire control technician's temporary halt in his plotting duties was a factor in the accident.

"In terms of how important it was, we do not know at this point," he "We discussed reporting that and thought it was something of an anomaly that should be reported."

Whether the civilian guests distracted crew members "will be subject to examination by the court of inquiry," said Jon Yoshishige, a spokesperson for the Pacific Fleet.

The list of sonar contacts is kept so that "the officer of the deck or the commanding officer can take a glance at it if they so choose," Hammerschmidt said. "We're told that on different submarines, there's different proce-

Moriyuki Kato, governor of the Ehime Prefecture, home to the Japanese on board the ship, said in Hawai'i if a member of the crew was distracted by a civilian, "I think it's regrettable and it's unpermittable.

We discussed reporting that and thought it was of an anomaly that should be reported.

> - John Hammerschmidt National Transportation Safety Board member

National Transportation Safety Board officials, speaking Tuesday in Hawai'i, said the Navy has determined the submarine's sonar crew detected the Japanese fishing trawler Ehime Maru 71 minutes before the sub slammed into it during a rapid-ascent drill.

NTSB member John Hammerschmidt three crew members in the Greeneville's sonar room operator but keeps a running log of sonar contacts.

"He ceased this updating of the CEP [Contact Evaluation Plot] because of the number of civilians present," Hammerschmidt said.

That day, the control room was filled with 16 civilians touring the Greeneville.

Hammerschmidt would not say whether investigators believe the

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Weather

Batman rides the Batcycle. Men ride the balding cycle. Women ride the menstrual cycle. Circus clowns ride the unicycle.

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I hate to admit it, but the Weathercycle is just a rusty old bike that is much less glamorous than all those other cycles.

Of course, I normally wouldn't care about how my bike looks, but every time I try to ride home from campus, I look at the millions of Weathercycle look-alikes in the bike racks and want to cry.

Yesterday it took me 10 minutes to find my bike.

Thursday's forecast: Ninety percent chance of riding a cycle of mistaken identity.

Wire Shorts

NEW YORK (AP) — Music executives shook off Napster's offer to settle a copyright infringement lawsuit Wednesday, saying it did not offer a viable business plan and failed to address security concerns.

The timing of Napster's proposal late Tuesday also struck many industry watchers as odd, coming the night before the Grammy Awards, the biggest annual event on the music calendar.

Music executives also expressed displeasure at Napster's decision to reveal its offer at a news confer-

Sony Music Entertainment said Napster's offer to pay \$150 million a year in royalties "does not make sense" for an industry with annual revenues of \$40 bil-

"Delivering their proposal to the entire industry through the media is not a valid way to address our many concerns," Sony said. "They have still not answered questions we have about a secure system which prevents unauthorized trading, or about how they intend to create a business model that respects the rights of record companies, artists and publishers."

Last week, Napster suffered a potentially crippling legal setback when a federal appeals court in San Francisco ordered the company to stop allowing copyrighted music to be swapped freely via its service.

LONDON (AP) — An outbreak of highly infectious foot-and-mouth disease in British pigs prompted a government ban Wednesday on exports of meat, milk and livestock and threatened serious damage to the country's beleaguered farming industry.

The European Union quickly announced its own ban on British exports to other member countries until March 1. The United States also suspended its imports of British pork.

The disease, which is not regarded as a threat to humans, affects cloven-footed animals, including sheep, goats and cows. It is not usually fatal to the animal but can cause weight loss and reduced dairy production in cattle. It is airborne and can spread quickly.

"This outbreak has potentially catastrophic implications for the whole of the British livestock industry," said Ben Gill, president of the National Farmers' Union. Last summer's outbreaks of swine fever, and the long-running mad cow crisis have badly hurt farmers

The government Food Standards Agency said Wednesday that transmission of foot-and-mouth disease to humans is extremely rare, but may be possible if they are in close contact with an infected animal. It said the disease cannot be caught by humans eating meat or drinking pasteurized milk.

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The class should be of interest to those planning careers in business, academia, medicine, law, politics, or comput technology. The first section of the course shall deal with affirmative action in businesses and colleges. We will look at the Court's decision in the famous UC Regents v. Bakke case, and then will examine articles that champion opposing sides regarding preferential treatment. The second section of the course will deal with moral dilemmas concerning privacy, secrets and deception. We shall examine issues surrounding bluffing in business, corporate insider trading lying to very ill patients, and public exposure of a politician's private life. The third section of the class will deal with the topic of professional integrity. The dilemmas that a role morality and an adversary system of law present for ethical members of the bar will be investigated. We will also consider the difficulties that physician-assisted suicide and active euthanasia pose to the understanding doctors have of themselves as practitioners of a healing craft who have taken oaths to do no harm. Then we will look at the debate concerning the social responsibility of those running businesses. The Fourth and final section of the course will deal with issues of economic justice. We shall examine the following topics: what is it that makes a contract exploitative; whether the distribution of wealth should be governed by egalitarian norms, or if differences in wealth can be justified on either the basis of merit, entitlement or utility; how intellectual property rights can be justified; and whether there is a need for a new sui generis intellectual property rights paradigm to protect computer programs. The student's grade will be determined by a short paper, section participation, and a multiple choice miderm and final. Outlines of class lectures will be posted on the web. The assigned essays will be collected in a course reader which can be purchased frm Grafik Arts Copy Center for around \$20. This course, Philosophy 6, was incorrectly listed as just "Business Ethics" in the spring schedule of classes. It is a course in buisness and professional ethics. If the course is full, come to class in the first week and pick up an add code. For more information, email the instructor at dbh1@umail.ucsb.edu



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allows three cars per night to park in designated locations equipped with sanitary facilities. Richie Weinman, housing and neighborhood manager in Eugene, said the program has worked well since it began in July 1998.

"The program has been very good so far. Allowing three cars per site is not too many — it's a manageable number, and efficient as far as sanitary facilities and regulation are concerned," he said. "It gives a chance for people to help each other. Churches, neighbors and the rest of the community have been involved in making this work. But we still don't have enough space."

While residents in both Santa Barbara and Eugene have said they are concerned the proposal could act as a magnet for transient populations and the lower the aesthetic value of the designated spaces, Weinman said Eugene's program has not seen either problem material-

"We've always been

homeless population in Eugene, but this hasn't made it any worse," he said. "The program gives people with a job and a car but no home an option while they're getting back on their feet."

Peter Marin, founder of the Committee for Social Justice in Santa Barbara, said while he supports the current plan, an alternative proposal could be more beneficial to the homeless population of Isla Vista.

'There are actually two proposals — the one that allows three cars, and another that would set up an experimental site where up to 20 cars could park," he said. "This would essentially set up a place where anyone could come sleep and get a shower. The problem with the Eugene ordinance is that churches have to volunteer to participate, and they haven't gotten as many participants as expected."

However, Isla Vista Recreation and Parks District Director Diane Conn said the proposal of a large facility in I.V. may be unrealistic.

"They're asking to turn

known to have a large a park into a trailer park, essentially. Perfect Park on Estero Road is to some extent already used as a parking/living area, and we have people living in parks and in their cars all over I.V.," she said. "IVRPD's concern is that we really don't want to have to manage this ourselves. We want to get social services into I.V., but we don't have the staff to make a project like this work by ourselves. Waste management is also an issue — we just don't have the staff to do it."

The proposal allowing 20 cars and regulated facilities has not received as much public support as the original proposal, but it remains an option, Chaconas said.

"Some locations might be bigger, but this proposal won't necessarily help Isla Vista's homeless population," he said. "This is a first step, and there will definitely be a couple of public hearings before anything is decided."

Marshall will discuss the proposals at the I.V. Town Hall meeting at 6:30 tonight at the University Religious Center.

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Opinion

Staff Editorial

Stiff Standards

Current State of University Admissions Requires That SAT I Be Revised, Not Abandoned

On Sunday, University of California President Richard Atkinson recommended that the University drop the SAT I as a basis for admission and criticized what he deemed an "overemphasis" on the standardized test. Atkinson's arguments were sound — the SAT is a highly imperfect gauge of intelligence that favors the rich. Nonetheless, the current state of affairs with regard to college applicants bars the process of phasing out standardized testing.

Atkinson delivered his message at the annual meeting of the American Council on Education in Washington, D.C., where he claimed that the SAT has little bearing on what would be expected of students at the university level. He was right. If there is one thing to be learned from higher education, it is that intelligence is not nearly as simple as one's ability (or lack thereof) to plow through word analogies and basic algebra problems. The human psyche has many dimensions that are simply beyond the scope of what is essentially a consequential IQ test. Equally problematic is the fact that the style in which the SAT I is written favors the wealthy.

Similar to IQ tests, the SAT I is a technique exam that does not stress innate intelligence. Pupils that live in well-off school districts are pushed into seminars that drill SAT I fundamentals into their heads early on. By providing additional instruction in the simple "plugand-chug" method, such extracurricular schooling offers wealthier children a quick fix, puts minorities and poor neighborhoods at a very distinct disadvantage and scoffs at the legitimacy of the SAT. Despite these facts, however, the Admissions Office must guard some tool, albeit a revised one, which will facilitate the process of reviewing what is often an overwhelming number of applicants.

In November, a record 39,935 students applied to UCSB, and next year's freshmen will arrive with an average GPA of 3.72 and average SAT I score of 1187 packed in their suitcases. The relatively large disparity

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between GPA and the mean test score signals an important consideration — mental ability is not easily judged by numbers. Currently, there are many intelligent students enrolled at UCSB who declined to be active participants in high school academics, but strutted their stuff on the SAT. Likewise, there are many intelligent students currently enrolled at UCSB who perform poorly on exams, but excel in the classroom and in private study. For this reason, the SAT I does not stand alone when it comes to admissions criteria.

The UC system operates on a calculated eligibility index, which factors in high school GPA, SAT II scores and extracurricular activities as well as the SAT I score. The mathematical apparatus that determines whether or not a student is qualified for admission weights the SAT I score third among other factors because of the test's inherent shortcomings. High school GPA receives priority consideration because it is the most accurate measure of a student's willingness and ability to function in an academic environment. SAT II takes second place because, as far as standardized tests go, it

is a more reliable judge of an individual's analytical capacity than the SAT I. So why the SAT I then? Simply put: As UCs stand in the shadow of "Tidal Wave II" and a flood of new applicants, the admissions office needs all the help it can get. Standardized testing is absolutely necessary to the admissions process, but SAT I cannot be dismantled until a revised test is put in its place.

An improved test would incorporate analytical thought by stressing writing and complex problem-solving. An exam that necessitates rationale and logical thought will require a greater demonstration of innate intelligence and assuage some standardized testing flaws. Such tests will inevitably fall victim to an economic bias, but as the wealthy create extracurricular seminars to provide additional instruction, moving away from the "plug-and-chug" method will discount their utility. In the end, until the educational conditions improve in the pubic school system, standardized testing will be an imperfect necessity in an imperfect world.

Bidding Fond Farewell to a Recently Departed Friend

STEVEN RUSZCZYCKY

Dearly beloved, we have gathered here today to mourn the passing of our dear friend Napster, who was taken from us by the ruthless bastards who refuse to understand the true value of art. Napster wasn't a saint; it had its problems and was unfair to some; however, it was key in voicing the cry of consumers sick and tired of being gouged for music. Napster's heart was in the right place, but like so many good things in this world, its time was short. Now let us reflect on Napster, both the good and the bad, so that we might understand its importance and what it could mean for the future of the music industry.

Napster was an excellent tool; however it had some fundamental flaws, the most obvious being that artists were not paid for their work. I want to make a quick clarification here about what I mean by "artist." I have very little patience for people who call themselves artists yet go into the entertainment industry for the money. Artists create in whatever forum (music, art, writing, film, etc.) for the sake of making something beautiful. If your number one reason for becoming a musician is to make money, then I'm sorry, you're not an artist, you're a trained monkey with a microphone. If true artists aren't supported, then they can't produce and everyone loses. Musicians have every right to get paid for their work, and it is unfair to keep it from them; this especially goes for new musicians trying to break into the business. Should established musicians be paid the exorbitant amounts

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they currently receive? Hell no. When I heard Lars Ulrich bitch and moan about being ripped off, I wanted to vomit. I'm not about to lose sleep over the fact that Lars can't afford a few more diamonds for his toilet seat. I think the fledgling artists were the only ones getting a raw deal from Napster, but even then a greater audience was exposed to their music. Napster's second flaw is a minor one, and that is it was unregulated. Sharing music with your friends is one thing. Giving several thousand strangers a copy of a song is something entirely different. However, as far as I can tell, these were the only big problems with Napster in terms of legitimacy.

Napster showed that more music needs to be more accessible. Chain music stores only carry the albums that sell, and the albums that sell are whatever the music stores choose to put on the shelves. Napster

was the only place I could find Ass Pony's "Little Bastard," or No Doubt's cover of REM's "It's the End of The World

as We Know It." It was the place you could get what you wanted when you wanted it and at a price that couldn't be beat. Pop music is at an all time high right now and all those great but lesser-known bands are getting kicked off the shelves to make room for Britney to do it again and Ricky to shake his "bon-bon." Granted, the old argument about supply and demand holds true, but how can we demand anything if

we don't know it exists? Napster was the way to find good music that you couldn't find anywhere else.

Napster was cheap to use as well — free actually. CDs cost anywhere from \$15 to \$18. Everyone has the right to enjoy music, and the only fair way to make that possible is to make music affordable. Napster was a message to all those suits, execs and whining microphone-holding monkeys that they're getting way out of line and a massive change is needed.

Finally, Napster was revolutionary in its use of the Internet for distributing what the masses wanted. It joined with the ranks of e-publishing, showing that the Internet is the new medium for supplying entertainment. I won't be surprised if companies begin springing up selling music over the Internet, and as long as it's low cost with a large selection, I'll be happy. It seems like the most logical thing to do, but then again, no one ever insulted the entertainment industry by labeling it logical.

Things like Napster shouldn't become a permanent fixture in our society. In the long run, they are unfair; however, right now they are the best way to get out the message that things need to be fixed. People are tired of having to search and pay extra for hard-to-find songs as well as shelling out big bucks for mainstream music. We knew Napster wouldn't be around forever, but it shouldn't go until the industry makes things fair for everyone. Until that day comes, there will always be sites like Napster that will fight the good fight for the people and keep the true spirit of music alive. Rest in peace, Napster, we'll miss you and take pride in the fact that you died for a good cause. The service has ended; go in peace. Amen.

Steven Ruszczycky is a sophomore bio-psychology and English major.

COUNCIL

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Leg Council also voted on a position paper supporting the expansion of the Chumash Casino. Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors sent

a letter to the governor to intervene in the Chumash Indian Casino Project, arguing that the tribe "did not make a good faith effort" in its dealings with the county regarding the expansion project.

Off-Campus Rep Pablo with

Andrade authored the resolution and argued the Chumash did make a good faith effort and are not in violation of any environmental regulations.

"After fighting for 10 years to obtain a contract the state

California," he said, "why would a tribe such as the Chumash choose to jeopardize their license to have class III gambling?"

The resolution, which was first presented to Leg Council several weeks ago, of passed unanimously.

getting recognized. I don't get mad, I get even. I don't back down.

Santa Barbara County Sheriff Jim Thomas said the awards are an important way to recognize citizens who spend their own time to help law enforcement.

'We ask our [officers] to keep their eyes open for people that do something above and beyond. It's our way of saying thanks to people,"

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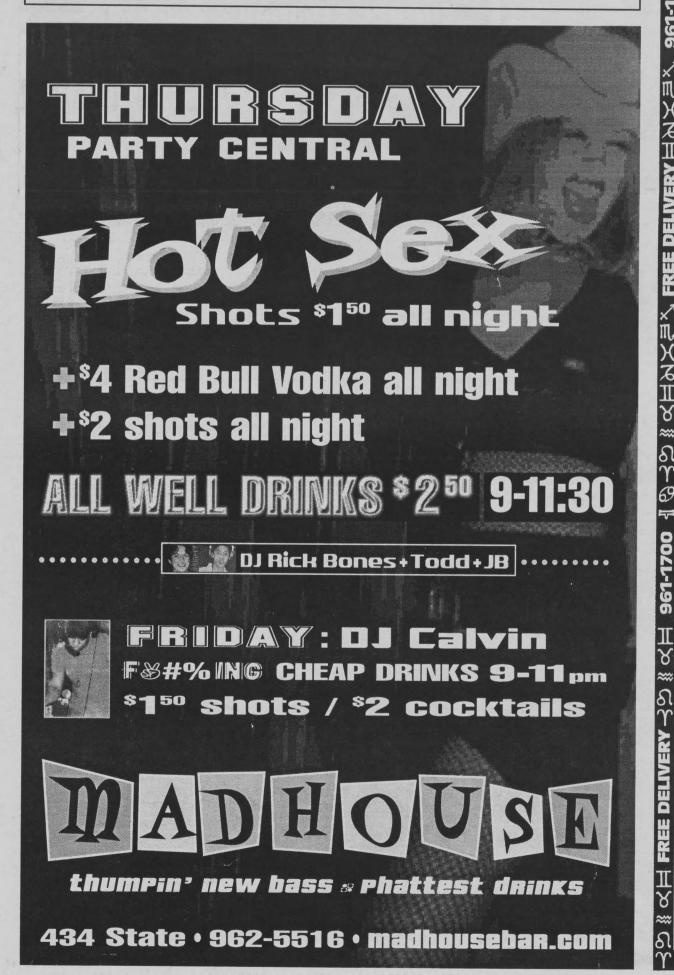
Award because we wanted a way of recognizing people who donated time, resources or equipment to help us do our jobs better," he said.

Lynda Pepin, manager at the Frogmore House of Antiques in Solvang, received a Concerned Citizen Award for assisting law enforcement in apprehending a shoplifter. Pepin said she followed the thief to another antique shop after he took a vase from her store.

"He wasn't getting away. There was no way he was getting out of there. Once I found him I wasn't going to let him go," she said. "It's sad that people don't get involved. You live in this community, it's sad to ignore things when they happen. I've had a long line of getting in the middle of things; this is the first time I'm

The Daily Nexus. It's not your father's paper.

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Need Energy:

Breakfast

"The grilled chicken sausage and grilled banana Belgian waffles kick ass."

Deena Severance

By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday (Feb. 22). Heal an old trauma, and you may find that you've outgrown your present surroundings. Prayer and private conversations will lead to completion in February. By March you should feel much stronger. You'll start noticing improvements to be made. Request more money in April. Learn something you used to think was too hard in May. Tell a roommate how you really feel and improve living conditions in June. Tell a loved one how you really feel and improve romantic relationships in July. Study all year so you're ready to go public in December. Tally up your losses and celebrate your wins next January and February.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 6 - You may feel like somebody's looking over your shoulder. You're being pushed to try something new. What you've been doing hasn't worked as well as you'd like. That complainer could be your own inner voice, so listen.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 5 - You'll get stronger as the day goes on. That will be quite helpful since you're running into trouble. This is not all your fault, so don't take it on the beak.

Stand up for your rights, nicely.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 6 - Are too many demands being put on your time? You need a partner. Somebody who's willing to take a risk. Somebody who'll draw attention

away from you while you figure out what to do next.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - You're anxious to get out of town. A serious bout of spring fever hits hard. Soon you'll be unable to ignore it. Get as much finished as possible now so you can try something new tomorrow. It's bound to come

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 5 - Begin popular is wonderful, but you might start to feel hassled. Be careful with your resources, such as time, money and energy. Don't make promises you can't keep. Some of your admirers will just have to wait until

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 5 - You've been working your fingers to the bone for the past few days. Are you getting burned out? If you get somebody to help, take care. Watch that

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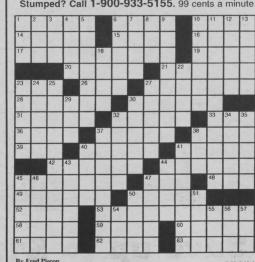
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Gauchos Trample Upon Titans

By MATT HEITNER
Staff Writer

The UCSB women's basketball team reared its head to the Big West again Wednesday night, overwhelming Cal State Fullerton, 79-24, at the Thunderdome.

The Gauchos (15-8, 8-2 in the Big West) were coming off their most impressive win of the season against Stephen F. Austin, in which Santa Barbara seemed to regain its early season form. UCSB defeated SFA 62-57. The Gauchos were able to carry over the momentum and confidence gained in the game versus SFA, putting on a clinic against the Titans.

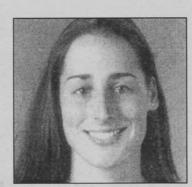
"These kids have a lot of heart," UCSB Head Coach Mark French said. "They are a great bunch of kids who want to finish strong, and it was great for them to play so well."

The Gauchos fell behind early, with the Titans (1-23, 1-10) taking an 8-7 lead on two free throws from Chante Gifford with 15:04 remaining.

Santa Barbara then erupted, annihilating the Titans with a 32-0 run over the final 15 minutes of the half. The outburst started innocently enough on a jump shot by junior forward

Kayte Christensen. Senior guard Rachelle Rogers added a layup, and freshman center Lindsay Taylor then finished a threepoint play to extend the Gauchos' lead to 14-8.

But UCSB was just getting started, with sophomore guards Jess Hansen and Debby Caine connecting on back-to-back three-pointers. Christensen then buried another jumper and Taylor added a pair of free



Lisa Willett

throws to make the score 24-8, in favor of UCSB.

Eight Gauchos scored during the run, led by Taylor's nine points at the break, which were one point more than the entire Titans' squad. Freshman forward Lisa Willett contributed only two points during the run, but finished the game with 11 points and a career-high 14 rebounds.

"We tried to focus on defense

and stay sharp the whole game," Willett said. "We need to build on this win and keep playing well so we're ready in March."

UCSB didn't let up in the second period. After junior forward Danielle Robinson scored for CSUF, Santa Barbara reeled off 16 straight points, with Christensen scoring six during the explosion. Taylor then capped the combined 48-2 run with a three-point play, to bring the score to 55-10.

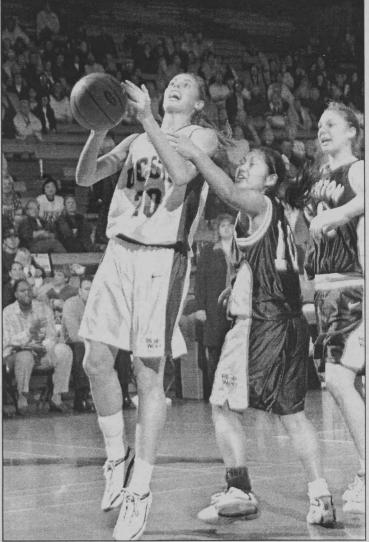
With the game well in hand, all that remained for UCSB was to get senior walk-on point guard Sheila Shilati her first field goal as a Gaucho. Santa Barbara did just that, as Shilati hit a 10-foot baseline jumper, which was met with resounding applause from the Thunderdome faithful.

"That's our goal before every game," Taylor said of getting Shilati in the game. "It was great to see her score. She works so hard in practice so she definitely deserves it."

UCSB finished strong following the Shilati basket, outscoring the Titans 12-9 in the final seven minutes.

The Gauchos now hit the road to face Boise State and Idaho this weekend, and Santa Barbara can only hope to continue its high level of play.

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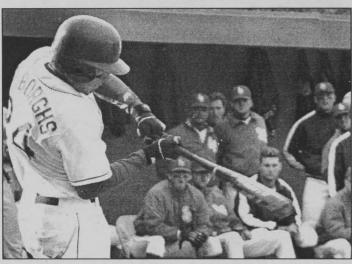


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Junior forward Kayte Christensen goes for the layup over two Fullerton defenders during UCSB's 79-24 mauling of the outmatched Titans.

it's a tough trip," French said. but not as tough as playing at "It's hard to play at both places, SFA, so we'll be ready."

Santa Barbara Hammers Westmont; Six Pitchers See Action in Victory



NEXUS FILE PHOTO

The UCSB baseball team improved to 4-4 with its win against the Warriors. Senior third baseman Dave Molidor homered in the contest.

By MATT HEITNER
Staff Writer

The UCSB baseball team continued its recent surge of playing strong after brushing off cross-town rival Westmont 8-3 Wednesday afternoon.

The Gauchos have now won three out of their last four games, and seem to be improving with each contest.

"It's been nice to win some ball games, but we can still get better," Head Coach Bob Brontsema said. "We've only had one practice since before the Oregon State series. Once we start getting some practices in we can be really good."

Each team scored in their half of the second inning, before UCSB took the lead for good in the third inning on senior third baseman Dave Molidor's two-run bomb over the left-field fence.

"[Westmont pitcher Derek Moore] had just thrown me two fastballs up in the zone," Molidor said. "I was looking for something off-speed, so

I just waited back and slapped it out."

Santa Barbara then added another run in the third on senior shortstop Jeff Bannon's ground out to go up 4-1.

The two teams tallied one run apiece in both the fourth and sixth innings, with the Gauchos going up 6-3.

The Gauchos came out swinging in the seventh. Peshke led off the inning with a double and Molidor followed that with a walk. First baseman Tyler Von Schell then hit an RBI double, scoring Peshke.

Bannon then finished the scoring, driving in Molidor with his second single of the game.

Freshman hurler Matt Vasquez, one of six Gaucho pitchers to play, picked up the win for UCSB, going four innings, while allowing only two runs and striking out four.

"It was good to get out there," Vasquez said.
"It was good to get more than one inning of work in my home debut. I just wanted to throw low strikes and stay calm, just stay back and throw."

UCSB Hopes to Ride Cal Poly

By ELIAV APPELBAUM
Staff Writer

The UCSB men's basketball team finds itself in the position to sweep the season series from conference rival Cal Poly during tonight's battle at 7 with the Mustangs at Mott Gym.

The Gauchos (11-12, 7-5 in the Big West) will also try to reach .500, and if they can defeat Pacific Saturday at 3 p.m., the team may have a shot to go over .500.

Yet Cal Poly stands in Santa Barbara's way, and the Mustangs plan to exact revenge against UCSB. The Gauchos won the previous matchup 95-88 on Feb. 10, by shooting an astounding 67.4 percent clip from the field.

"We got great shots and had a rhythm going [during the last meeting]," UCSB Head Coach Bob Williams said. "They'll come out with a revenge type of attitude; they'll come out hard."

One of the key factors in the last meeting was freshman point guard Jacoby Atako and sophomore point guard B.J. Ward's relentless defense on Mustang senior helmsman Watende Favors. Favors was limited to a meager six points and two assists from the pressure applied by

Atako and Ward.

"Most of [Favors'] shots are through transition baskets," Atako said.

"We guarded him three-quarters of the court and picked him up from there. He didn't have a good rhythm. That was the difference."

UCSB did an excellent job shutting down Cal Poly's all-time leading scorer, senior forward

Chris Bjorklund. Bjorklund said he felt that after missing his first shot, he could not catch on fire at all. The senior finished with nine points. The help defense also had a

great deal to do with the Gauchos' success shutting down the forward.

"When he gets the ball inside, we will double-team him again," Ward said. "We have to limit his offensive opportunities."

The Gauchos will probably be leery of freshman guard Jamaal Scott (21 points) and freshman forward Varney Dennis (15 points). Santa Barbara allowed Cal Poly to snatch an 22 offensive rebounds. Williams said that shutting down Bjorklund will be important, but other Mustang role players can step up.

"We know Bjorklund is an explosive scorer," Williams said. "It's kind of like selecting your poison. You turn him loose or turn them loose on weakside boards."

Cal Poly will not be a walk in the park, and the Gauchos hope they are ready for the challenge of stepping up on the road again, after recent road wins at Long Beach State and UOP.

"They have a very hostile and great crowd," Williams said. "It's a good college basketball environment. There have been some great games we've played down there my previous two years."