

Wednesday

April 8, 1998



Romanlan Music and Dance

The award-winning Somesul-Napoca, an ensemble of over 20 dancers and musicians from Romania, will present energetic dance and music. This performance of lively and exciting Romanian folk traditions will be held tonight at 8 in the MCC. Tickets are \$4 for students, \$8 general at the A.S. Ticket Office.

INSIDE:

Up in Smoke

Peter Baez, director of the Santa Clara County Cannabis Clinic, pleads innocent to six counts of selling marijuana to people without prescriptions. Was he committing a felony or just helping those in need? Take a look and decide.

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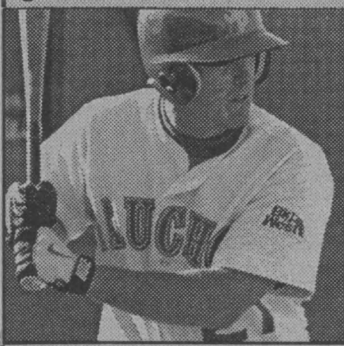
Grrr ...

"At Any Rate"'s Nick Robertson surveys the A.S. elections landscape ... and once again, he's not sure he likes what he sees.

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All LaCour-ed Up

UCSB junior third baseman Bryan LaCour proved himself worthy of the Daily Nexus Athlete of the Week Award by hitting three home runs in as many games last weekend.



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Find out what the I.V. Surfrider Foundation is all about at the general-interest meeting tonight at 7:30 in HSSB 1174.

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Students ride past South Hall on one of the campus' more well-traveled bikepaths. An initiative will be on the April ballot asking students to vote on a 75-cent lock-in fee for the maintenance and improvement of paths such as this.

ALAN JACOBY / DAILY NEXUS

A.S. Candidates Discuss Campaign Issues

BY TED ANDERSON
Staff Writer

Potential campus leaders of tomorrow introduced and stood on their platforms in hopes that their campaigns will jump off and plunge into a pool of votes.

Candidates for the position of Associated Students President and A.S. Internal Vice President attended the first of the 1998 A.S. Spring Election debates yesterday in the UCen. The A.S. presidential candidates attending the debate were Damien Phillips, Erin O'Donnell, Joshua Darriulat, Binu Palal and Patrick Lavender.

According to Palal, the debate provided a useful forum for the candidates to voice their thoughts on the available positions.

"The president is supposed to attend a variety of meetings," he said. "The chief executive should always be in touch with the legislative body and the students."

Campus concerns were key issues in the debates because of the direct effect they have on all students, according to O'Donnell, who is currently an A.S. on-campus representative. She explained that improving Davidson Library is one of her main concerns.

"We need a library renovation. Right now we have just over 2,000 spaces in the library," O'Donnell said. "That's something I would like to push: library technology and places to study."

Darriulat, who is currently a Residence Halls Association coordinator, believes that students would be willing to pay to update the technology and availability of facilities on campus.

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Author Makes Donation To Aid Ailing Undergraduates

BY KENNY HARRISON
Reporter

Just as spoonfuls of chicken soup offer temporary relief for those suffering from colds and sniffles, a nationally-acclaimed author has provided respite for larger aches and pains.

Jack Canfield, co-author of the various "Chicken Soup for the Soul" books, recently donated \$30,000 to support a medical emergency fund for undergraduate students at UCSB.

According to Canfield, the Jack Canfield Chicken Soup Fund will give financial aid to students facing hardships caused by unexpected medical emergencies.

"The basic concept seemed like a sound one. I am very aware of the need for medical support," he said. "It seemed like a very easy thing to do."

In past years the fund — formerly the Ina Kristiansen Hope Fund — has faced financial difficulties of its own, according to Dave Lagomarsino, intramural coordinator of Physical Activities and Recreation, whose department has donated to the fund. Lagomarsino explained that Canfield was approached for support in an effort to keep the fund available.

"Jack Canfield's whole approach to life is healing through education," he said.

According to Lagomarsino, a large amount of students are in need of this type of financial aid, and while most current medical aid funds require students to be enrolled part-time, the Jack Canfield Chicken Soup Fund is different.

"To be eligible, [someone] must be a full-time UCSB student in need of financial support due to a medical problem," Lagomarsino said.

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Initiative Proposed for Paths

BY GRETCHEN MACCIARELLA
Staff Writer

With the future of bikepaths on campus still uncertain, a student initiative on the upcoming Associated Students spring election ballot attempts to commit students financially to the upkeep of one of the main conduits to campus.

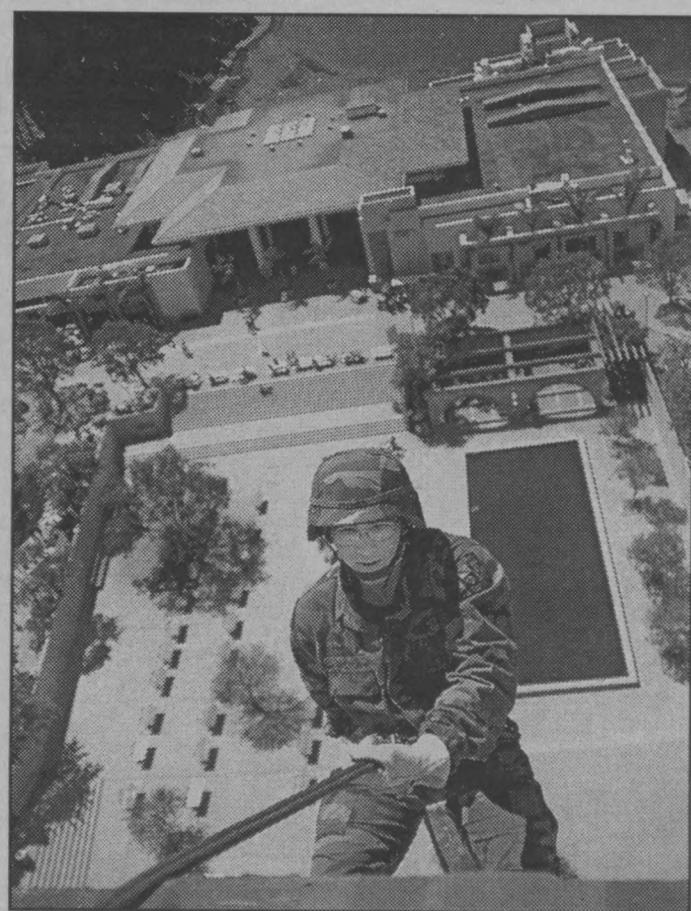
Bikes are a large portion of alternative transportation for students on campus, making UCSB one of the only schools in the University of California system to have extensive bikepaths, according to Graduate Student Association Vice President for Administrative Affairs Jim Dalton.

"Our campus is unique because of our proximity to [Isla Vista]. The ride from I.V. is something [no other school] does," he said. "UCSB was built as a very bicycle-friendly campus."

One problem with the campus bikepaths is that they do not fall under the authority of any one administrative branch, according to Alternative Transportation Coordinator Mindy Norris of Parking and Transportation Services, who was recently appointed to the Bicycle Committee.

"The whole bike system has been so orphaned for so long," she said. "The whole bike system wasn't under anyone's wing for many years."

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DAVID GREGORY / DAILY NEXUS

Hold on Tight

A member of ROTC rappels down Storke Tower on Tuesday. The cadets descended the side of the building all morning, taking advantage of the beautiful weather.



Top of the News

First Lady Emphasizes Maternal Health



WASHINGTON (AP) — In the time it took Hillary Rodham Clinton to deliver her World Health Day speech, she said, an estimated 15 women died around the globe from pregnancy complications or unsafe abortions.

"No woman should ever die in childbirth," Mrs. Clinton declared Tuesday, calling for renewed global attention to maternal health.

Nearly 600,000 women and girls, most in developing nations, die each year while pregnant or in labor due to complications, including self-induced abortions, ac-

ording to the World Health Organization and UNICEF.

Breaking down the statistics, Mrs. Clinton said that

No woman should ever die in childbirth.

— Hillary Rodham Clinton

every minute, one woman or girl dies, 40 have unsafe abortions, 110 experience a pregnancy-related problem and 190 face an unplanned pregnancy.

Mrs. Clinton, speaking to several hundred health care professionals and private

and public policy-makers at World Bank headquarters, said countries should develop better family-planning and education programs for women and children to combat maternal mortality. She criticized conserva-

tion procedures that can account for up to half or more of all maternal deaths," Mrs. Clinton said.

"I would like to stress that point because there are some in our Congress and in our country who do not understand how providing family-planning services helps reduce the rate of abortion."

Mrs. Clinton, who last week returned from a 12-day tour of sub-Saharan Africa with President Clinton, noted that she and her husband visited projects promoting women and children to underline U.S. support for "human rights and particularly the right to health."

House Member Apologizes for Use of 'Racist' Term



WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Gerald Solomon has apologized for using a term that some consider racist, but says he won't back off his harsh criticism of U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

"Let me assure you there is not a racist bone in my body," Solomon wrote in a letter to Rep. Donald Payne (D-N.J.). "Although I have used that term all my adult life ... it was never brought to my attention that the remark may be insensitive to someone who might think it to be racist."

In a House floor speech last month, Solomon (R-N.Y.) said Annan "ought to be horsewhipped" for his handling of talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to defuse the recent crisis over U.N. weapons

inspectors. Payne, a former chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus, last week called Solomon's remark a "racist insult" that conjures up "the painful image of a black person being whipped into submission by his master."

Solomon, in a letter sent Monday and made available Tuesday, told Payne he learned the term from his Scottish grandfather, who said it referred to the way horse thieves were punished.

"It just never occurred to me that there might be another origin of the remark ... and since there is, your admonishment of me is well taken and I apologize for the remark ... but not for the severe admonishment of Kofi Annan," wrote Solomon, who chairs the House Rules Committee.

Founder of Cannabis Clinic Pleads Innocent in Court



SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — The director of the Santa Clara County Medical Cannabis Center has pleaded innocent to six drug-related charges and said he plans to quit the center he co-founded.

"I've made up my mind that I have to get out of [running the center]," said Peter Baez, 34, who suffers from colon cancer. "My health can't take it. I just want to enjoy what time I have left in this world."

Baez was arrested March 23 and charged with selling pot to one patient without a valid medical recommendation. Prosecutors later added five more counts based on a review of patient files seized from the center.

Baez, who entered his pleas Monday, faces a possi-

ble nine-year prison term if convicted. In addition, prosecutors said they are trying to seize the center's \$29,000 checking account under laws that allow them to confiscate drug dealers' profits.

Baez said his departure by the end of the month will likely result in closure of the only medical marijuana dispensary in Santa Clara County.

But prosecutors and San Jose police say they never intended to close the center, and don't want marijuana denied to legitimate patients.

"We didn't shut them down — we left most of their marijuana and a significant amount of working cash," Deputy District Attorney Denise Raabe said.

AP WIRE SHORTS

• **MILAN, Italy (AP)** — About 200,000 Italians were forced to start looking for new doctors Tuesday following a judge's decision to suspend 131 allegedly corrupt physicians in this northern Italian region.

The doctors allegedly accepted bribes in the form of cash or presents, including airline tickets, watches and champagne, from Dr. Giuseppe Poggi Longostrevi as compensation for referring patients to his clinic between 1991 and 1996.

Many doctors also told investigators that intermediaries for Longostrevi would periodically ask them to prescribe medical tests patients did not require so the center could claim reimbursement from the state.

Longostrevi and several associates are being investigated in the case.

• **BERN, Switzerland (AP)** — A private foundation set up last year by Swiss celebrities has distributed \$530,000 to about 5,000 Holocaust survivors, its founders said Tuesday.

The Foundation for Humanity and Justice has helped 18 Jewish organizations, many of them in Eastern Europe, said its president, socialist lawmaker Gian-Reto Platter.

The foundation supported a program to feed destitute Holocaust victims in Ukraine and a Swiss-based organization that gives medical help to Poles who helped save Jews during World War II.

The fund, intended to bring help to Holocaust survivors

and heirs "as quickly and unbureaucratically as possible," will complement rather than rival a \$190 million fund set up by the major Swiss banks to help destitute Holocaust survivors, Platter said.

Madeleine Kunin, the U.S. ambassador to Switzerland, praised the private foundation as part of "the humanitarian tradition of Switzerland." The foundation includes renowned architect Mario Botta; author Alfred Haessler, a prominent critic of Swiss policy toward refugees; a leading bishop, Josef Gandolfi; and other known historians and academics.

• **BEIJING (AP)** — China will ban new cemeteries and most burials in a densely populated southern province this year, encouraging cremation to save scarce farmland, state media reported Tuesday.

China has for years encouraged cremation and is clearing away thousands of graves to recover farmland, but Guangdong is noted for sticking to traditional tomb burials, the Xinhua News Agency reported.

About 270,000 people are buried annually in Guangdong, leading to an annual loss of 650 acres of land, Xinhua said. In some cases, people have damaged forests to build elaborate cemeteries.

The cremation rate in the province is about 23.5 percent, or 10 percentage points below the national average, Xinhua said. In several areas, the rate is below 5 percent. Xinhua did not say when the ban will take effect.

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(This space is reserved today for your own profound lyrics and witticism on life, love, or anything else you deem important, deep or necessary to think about, mull over or contemplate in your own life.)

Forecast: Looks to be another beautiful day, though I must remind you everyone's definition of beautiful varies.

Correction

In a story in Monday's *Nexus* titled "Buses a Vehicle For Awareness of Eating Disorders," the following information was mistakenly omitted: the poster exhibit will be at the Channing Peake Gallery in Santa Barbara for six weeks beginning in May. The *Nexus* regrets this error.

Press Council Deliberates on Article

BY JILL ST. JOHN
Staff Writer

The Chancellor's Press Council met Tuesday to address a letter concerning the March 4 *Daily Nexus* article "Number of Dogs Present in Classes Declining This Year."

Time was allotted for *Daily Nexus* Editor in Chief Marc Valles, senior black studies and political science major Tu Huynh, and the public to address the board and voice their opinions. Valles recalled the past events that precipitated the protests and expressed his staff's apology.

"It was an egregious breach of protocol, and [the staff] felt nothing but regret and apologized in full," he said.

Huynh, who served as a representative for the Asian American community, expressed her reasons for being present.

"Why I'm here is to follow up on the list of demands and see what Press Council is go-

ing to do to remedy the problems," she said. Ex officio Press Council member Ernesto Lopez, the chancellor's representative to the council, emphasized the importance of the paper's independent operation.

"The best thing that Press Council does is not to get in the way, [but to] offer guidance and provide wisdom and be here to give support for what the *Nexus* does," he said.

Press Council faculty representative Roger Millikan noted that this independence carries both positive and negative implications.

"We give them great power and freedom to do their job, and we [also] give them great power and freedom to make mistakes," he said.

After Press Council, which convenes monthly, met in private to decide upon a course of action, Press Council Chair Christopher Lustig, a senior philosophy and political science major, said the council would release a statement with its decision the following day.

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Since recently there was no official entity in charge of the bikepaths, many different committees took responsibility for the system's maintenance and submitted lists of all the repairs needed, according to Dalton.

"[Norris] took all these lists and got them lined up; it was over \$1 million," he said.

The 50 repair projects have since been sent to the Bicycle Committee for review, Norris said.

"We've done some Band-Aid fixes until we get all the

projects ... prioritized," she said.

Norris added that the committee had few sources of funds from the administration.

"The bike system has been pretty neglected ... [though PTS is] expecting to spend \$150,000 from fines and forfeitures," she said. "There is also the student initiative for a lock-in fee ... that will be voted [on] in April."

The idea behind the ballot measure was conceived of by the Public Safety Committee, according to Dalton.

"I generated the idea that we would have a lock-in fee

of 75 cents per quarter ... to fund minor capital projects for the bikepaths, but only if there were matching funds [from the university]," he said.

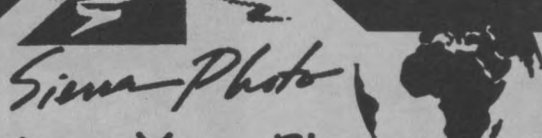
Associated Students Vice President Kerry Kops thinks that the ballot initiative will be successful because it's a voluntary fee.

"The way it works is that when you get your BARC account bill, there will be a box where you can check," she said.

The money from this measure will drastically increase the spending on bikepaths beyond its current

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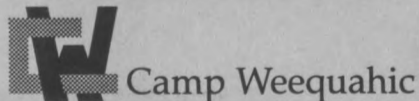
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Festival To Hold Fund-raising Raffle

BY TONY BIASOTTI
Staff Writer
and MEGAN SOLOW
Reporter

Along with the usual array of musical entertainment featured at an annual Associated Students-sponsored concert, this year's event also features the return of a drawing that will benefit Isla Vista community organizations.

The A.S. Community Improvement Drawing, which aims to raise \$10,000 for the I.V. Teen Center and the I.V. Youth Projects, is already underway, according to A.S. External Vice President for Local Affairs Leila Salazar. A number of campus and community groups will be selling tickets up until the drawing, which will be on May 16 at Extravaganza in Harder Stadium, she added.

"We've got 10,000 tickets printed. We sent out letters to about 100 businesses, and we've got a lot of donations," she said. "We already started selling [tickets] last week. We'll encourage the groups to spread out in the community and sell door to door ... [and] at a table in front of the UCen."

According to Salazar, there is an incentive for the groups to sell tickets.

"The group that sells the most tickets in each category will receive 5 percent of the total profits," she said.

The ticket sellers will be competing against groups similar to themselves in size, according to fund-raising coordinator Sandra Sarrouf.

"The contest has been divided into three categories: fraternities and sororities, athletic groups, and student and community groups," she said. "We're trying to make it fair, so bigger groups don't have to compete with smaller groups."

The \$1 tickets hold a great potential return, Salazar said.

"United Airlines donated an upgrade on any domestic flight, valued at \$1,000," she said. "The Goleta Valley Athletic Club donated memberships worth \$590 and \$330."

I.V. Community Relations Committee member Alonso Gonzalez said the fundraiser will be beneficial for creating programs and supporting those that are currently in place.

"I.V. Youth Projects is trying to expand the services offered to kids and parents in I.V.," he said. "The money hasn't been expanding with the programs, so right now they're playing catch-up."

I.V. Youth Projects and the I.V. Teen Center will benefit equally from the fundraiser, according to Gonzalez.

"It should be a 50-50 even split for both programs," he said. "They're trying to get the doors of the Teen Center open, so Youth Projects will probably be willing to give any money necessary to get the doors open by this summer."

According to Salazar, the idea for a drawing is not a new one.

"Four or five years ago, [the A.S. External Vice President] organized a community im-

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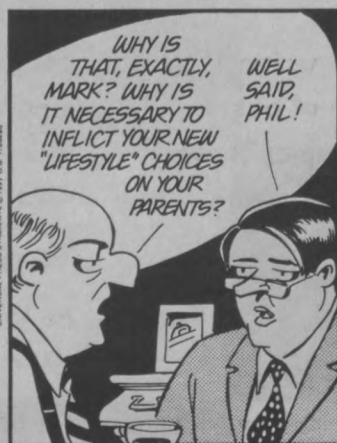
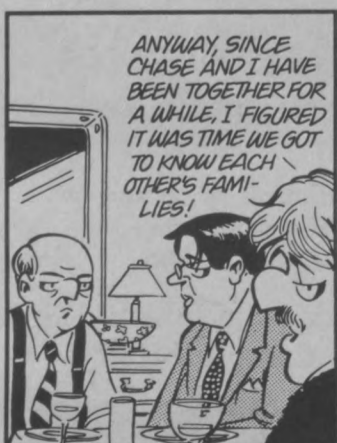
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DEBATE

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"I have no problem going to students for money. I would let them know exactly where all their money is going for the tasks of computer facilities and modem updates," he said.

According to Phillips, an ex-on-campus representative, experience is an important aspect to consider.

"I hope you could elect someone who [has held A.S. positions] before and not just someone who is promising things that they've never done before," he said.

Lavender believes that more emphasis on sports will be beneficial to the

campus.

"I will push for a strong sports program," he said. "I think it should be shown where [the students'] money is being spent."

A.S. Internal Vice Presidential candidates who attended the debate include Danny Costa, Ross Trindle and Raymond Fugere.

Trindle is currently the Judicial Council chair and explained how he believes an Internal VP should run an effective meeting.

"It's all about efficiency, about getting what we need to get done and getting out of there because we all have our own lives," he said.

One of Fugere's platforms is to work on campus

security.

"Campus safety needs to be improved," he said. "I think we need better late-hours lighting."

Costa, a Finance Board member and proxy for the Legislative Council, believed a bicycle initiative on the ballot this spring is favorable to the majority of students.

"My favorite piece [of legislation] was ... the bike-path situation authored by Joe Lee. I believe that A.S. should be the voice of the students," he said.

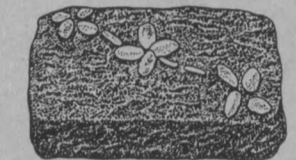
The second presidential and the first external VP debates will be held today at the UCen Harbor Room at noon.

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provement drawing," she said. "They raised over \$5,000 each time for the community ... Last year, [then-Vice President] Jeff Provenzano didn't do it, so I wanted to continue the tradition."

Any groups interested in selling tickets should send a representative to a meeting tonight at 5 at the Community Affairs Board office in the UCen.



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Opinion

The Ocean Really Is Big Enough for Everyone

Shortboarders and Longboarders Alike Can Benefit From a Spirit of Sharing

MARK LEATHEAM

I went surfing at Campus Point a little ways back. It was a Sunday, which means it was crowded. I took out my 6'9" shortboard, hoping to work more on my backside technique. I didn't get much experience that day, however.

I was out there for over two hours and only caught one wave. The reason for this is that there was this longboarder perched up at the tip of the point who would catch every wave that was coming our way. As far as he was concerned, it was all about HIM. As far as he was concerned, there were no other surfers entitled to get a few waves of their own. No need to be fair.

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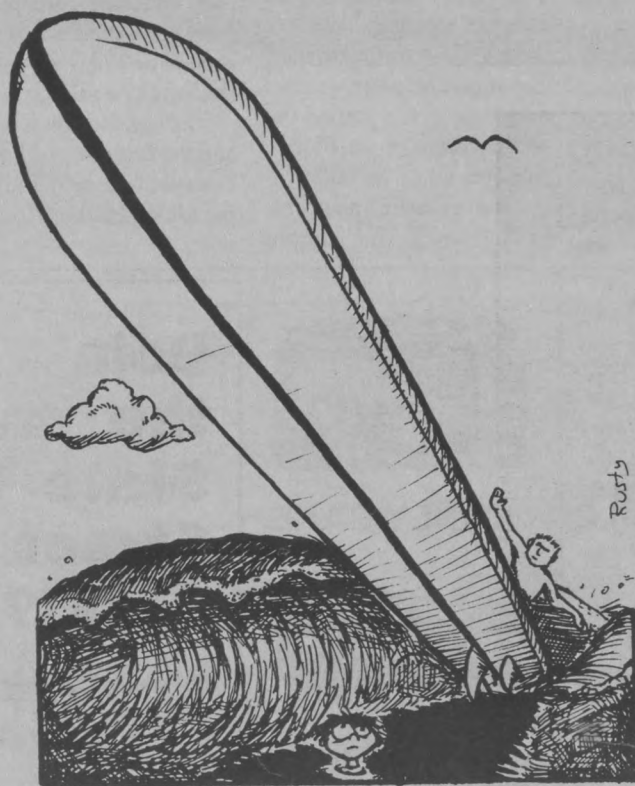
This guy on the longboard scored every good wave that came through. After about half an hour, I started to try to pick up his spot when he vacated it by catching a wave. Before another good wave would come through, he would come back, paddle around me, and sneak a little farther up the point again to get the wave before me. It was the typical point-break game.

More shortboarders came along, and they too found themselves subordinated to this guy for the best waves. Eventually some kid just dropped in on him while he was riding a wave. When they both were paddling back to the point and past me, the longboarder was threatening the kid. The longboarder was getting all these waves, but still wasn't happy because *one* guy dropped in on him on *one* wave. The lineup was already tense due to the frustrating competition going on between the shortboarders for those waves that were left. The longboarder, in becoming irate, succeeded in making the lineup even more so. I got out of the water feeling as though I had almost wasted my time.

Let's examine this now: The longboarder went out there to try to have a good time. The shortboarders went out there to do the same. In the end, almost no one seemed to be enjoying themselves. The longboarder failed in his goal. Why? Because of selfishness. The longboarder was too selfish in that he had to get every good wave that he could without giving anyone else a chance. The shortboarders, including me, were selfish in that they too pulled the point-break game with one another to get the scraps. I was bummed. On my way in, I remembered something.

I had a surf experience down at Sunset Point in L.A. over the summer. Nice head-high day. Long walls, mushy, but fast and fun. There were many guys out, but the break was sectioned off so that there were quite a few peaks to divide up the crowd. I had taken out my 9'6" longboard that beautiful day and had this desire to catch as many waves as possible. For the first hour or so I was out, I did catch a lot, probably being a bit of a selfish longboarder myself without realizing

it. As I started working my way down the point from peak to peak, I eventually wound up near a couple of old-timers on longboards. I started talking with them about whatever, and later listening to what it was like to surf in the '60s and '70s. As waves came in, we would take turns catching them. We would hoot and holler for one another. I must have spent ab-



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out two hours doing this with them. We had a great time; real camaraderie. When I got out of the water I felt really happy and charged; I got to meet some cool people, share the excitement of a common love (surfing) with them, and best of all, we got a chance to practice sharing (i.e. waves) and generosity.

Practicing these traits carries its own reward. The fun of the first hour or so, in which I caught all those waves, paled in comparison to the sharing experience with these gentlemen. It was such a good experience, I made an effort to bring that spirit with me to the beaches I found myself at thereafter. When successful, it has always paid off by making my sessions even more fun and fulfilling even though I would catch a few less waves. All the tenseness and competitiveness would be banished by a spirit of excitement for the newfound buddy on the wave and a camaraderie with those around you.

There's a point here that I think one can apply to life too. Selfishness doesn't apply the way it seems to. One can get all the scarce desirables they wish, but perhaps in this amassing one misses the strong feeling of happiness and fulfillment one can get by sharing with others and trying to be a little generous.

The idea that comes to the defense of selfishness is that we amass as much as we can, we can share it with others in plenty. First of all, that doesn't work. For example, waves, letting someone in the freeway, or letting someone with a car ahead of you at the supermarket line. When one is amassing, they are not sharing. Missing out.

I would think that for most people the only other option is competition.

"... It feels good to give-and-take relationship with another person, especially the only other option is competitiveness and selfishness."

Many times in my life, people's selfishness (I needed it most) has helped me grow so much. I realize that the whole world could be a better community again if we could just be selfish enough to prove a situation for those involved.

I guess people are afraid to be generous. They take others out there. At least with the little things, however, there isn't much to lose. If someone seems to be missing out, it's not your business. It's trying to work with others to make everyone walks away stoked. It's amazing how often I find in this. When I do this, I not only get successes and achievements, but in the process others I become happy for their success too. By giving, I haven't lost anything. It's my turn, I'm happy for them when it's their turn, I'm happy for them when it's for another's success, and they are the winners of my success also.

There's another empowering element to giving to myself that the scarce desirables that it will depress me if I lose them. That in itself makes my mind more open. The person who I give to gets happier. I share in his or her joy so then the two of us are happy. They do the same for me, then every day I have different kinds of happiness of receiving. If I leave this earth, I know my life will be meaningful if I give and share more than I receive. Next time I get out to the surf lineup, I'll have a place to practice this.

Mark Leatheam is a senior philosopher.

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The Reader's Voice

UCSB BICYCLISTS NEED A VOICE, RIGHT NOW

Editor, Daily Nexus:

We, the members of the Bicycle Coalition at UCSB, strongly feel that a well-designed and well-maintained UCSB campus bicycle system is essential for the safety and welfare of the entire campus community and represents a critical state resource as a strategic section of the California Coastal Bicycle Trail.

We, the members of the Bicycle Coalition at UCSB, hereby assert that the current UCSB bicycle system is seriously inadequate. There currently exist a number of hazards, inefficiencies and problems with the UCSB bicycle system.

These include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Inadequate maintenance of bicycle path surfaces (e.g.: Engineering, SAASB);
2. Inadequate signage (e.g.: traffic circles, pedestrian crossings);
3. Lack of bicycle parking in several key locations (e.g.: Arts, Engineering);
4. Incomplete east/west through-

campus corridor (e.g.: Broida Expressway);

5. Unsafe and/or poorly designed bicycle/pedestrian intersections (e.g.: Library, UCen, Bus Loop, Dead Man's Curve — I.V. Theater);

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8. Inadequate bicycle commuter support services (e.g.: lack of incentives, lack of secure parking areas).

Therefore, we, the members of the Bicycle Coalition at UCSB, strongly urge all students, faculty, staff, administrators and community members, regardless of preferred mode of transportation, to join us in advocating a rapid and dramatic response to the currently existing inadequate and dangerous conditions of the bicycle system at UCSB.

If we are to be successful in creating a UCSB campus bicycle system for the 21st century, all UCSB community members

must join together to secure the funding necessary to implement the solutions. We, the members of the Bicycle Coalition at UCSB, dedicate our efforts to continually increasing public awareness and public debate until our goals for the UCSB bicycle system are met or exceeded. Please join us in these efforts in any way possible.

For additional information contact: Bicycle Coalition at UCSB, Office of Student Life — Mailbox 101.

The Bicycle Coalition at UCSB is a registered student/campus group with the Office of Student Life. We currently have approximately 80 members evenly divided between students, faculty and staff. We meet two times a month.

BICYCLE COALITION AT UCSB

BRENT BAKER'S AMERICA, PART I

Editor, Daily Nexus:

It is ironic that our political leaders mostly oppose and impede access to medicinal marijuana, meanwhile claiming to be religious Jews and Christians. In the

Bible (Genesis) it is clearly stated that we are for healing" and there are many herbs which would even seem to be a great gift from God. I demand religious freedom. I also demand my herbal medicine(s) Medicare/Medical that I pay taxes and deductions to. If these demands are met, our country remains hypocritical and God provided herbs and tobacco long before humanity invented or government.

BRENT BAKER'S AMERICA, PART II

Editor, Daily Nexus:

American military destruction is being tested underground in Los Alamos, N.M. Call these "hell on wheels" are a hybrid combination of explosives with plutonium. The obvious intent of controlling fallout over a designated area

Everyone of Sharing

The defense of selfishness is that if we can share later when we have more, we can't work for some things — for someone in your lane on a clogged market line. Secondly, at the time we are not sharing, and someone is

Most people, it feels good to have a relationship with another person, especially if competitiveness and selfishness.

It's good to have a relationship with someone, especially if the other option is selfishness and competitiveness.

Someone's selfless generosity (when I grow spiritually). It has helped the world could feel like a little comfort when it would involve.

It's about being giving, as there are many things with the little things like at the surf, much to lose by trying give-and-take missing out. Fairness comes into play to make things fair so that it's amazing the joy that one can find. It's not only finding joy then in my life, but in sharing and giving with others their successes and achievements. I'm happy for myself if they are then open to be happy for

Adding an element to this: I'm affirming that desirables are not so important to lose them (i.e. give them away). And more at ease. More than this, if it's happiness from the thing, I can be the two of us are made happy. If when everyone gets a chance at the time of receiving and giving. When I live life will be richer and more meaningful than I have in the past, so the surf lineup, I know I'll have a great

major philosophy.

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

It is clearly stated "herbs and there are no verses in seem to oppose this food. I demand my religion also demand coverage of medicine(s) under the bill that I paid decades of money to support. Until we met, our political leadership and un-American. They told us their use of chemistry

BRENT BAKER

BAKER'S PART II

My nuclear destructo-science is a type of horrific weapon underground at Los Alamos "hell-bombs." They are a combination: conventional plutonium packages, with controlled radioactive designated area. The hell-

bombs supposedly do not violate the nuclear test ban treaty because they are subcritical, not involving thermonuclear blast.

Plutonium is the strongest known poison and carcinogen. As little as one atom of this substance can cause cancer in humans in 1-40 years. This makes the hell-bombs an overt development and testing of a chemical weapon of mass destruction. Repeat: Besides being conventional and semi-nuclear, the hell-bombs are really chemical weapons of mass destruction. If fully developed, hell-bombs will be copied by other nations, then perhaps terrorists.

I remain disabled and uncompensated from the Cold War nuke tests in Nevada. I share this scenario with about a million others. I hope you don't end up joining us in this regard. Perhaps this would be a good chance to write the legislators, the newspapers and maybe even some protest signs?

BRENT BAKER

At Any Rate

It's Election Season Again ... Dammit

Optimism Is Difficult at Best When You've Seen the Same Crap Year In, Year Out

NICK ROBERTSON

So it's time once again for Associated Students elections. Cheap paper signs are blowing in the wind as expensive professionally-made billboards uglify our campus. Frankly, I've seen it all before.

My five years at UCSB have not been politically inattentive ones; in fact, I've been paying closer attention to the A.S. state of affairs over the past half-decade than any other currently-enrolled student. This intimate knowledge of peewee politics has generally been filled with disappointment and despair.

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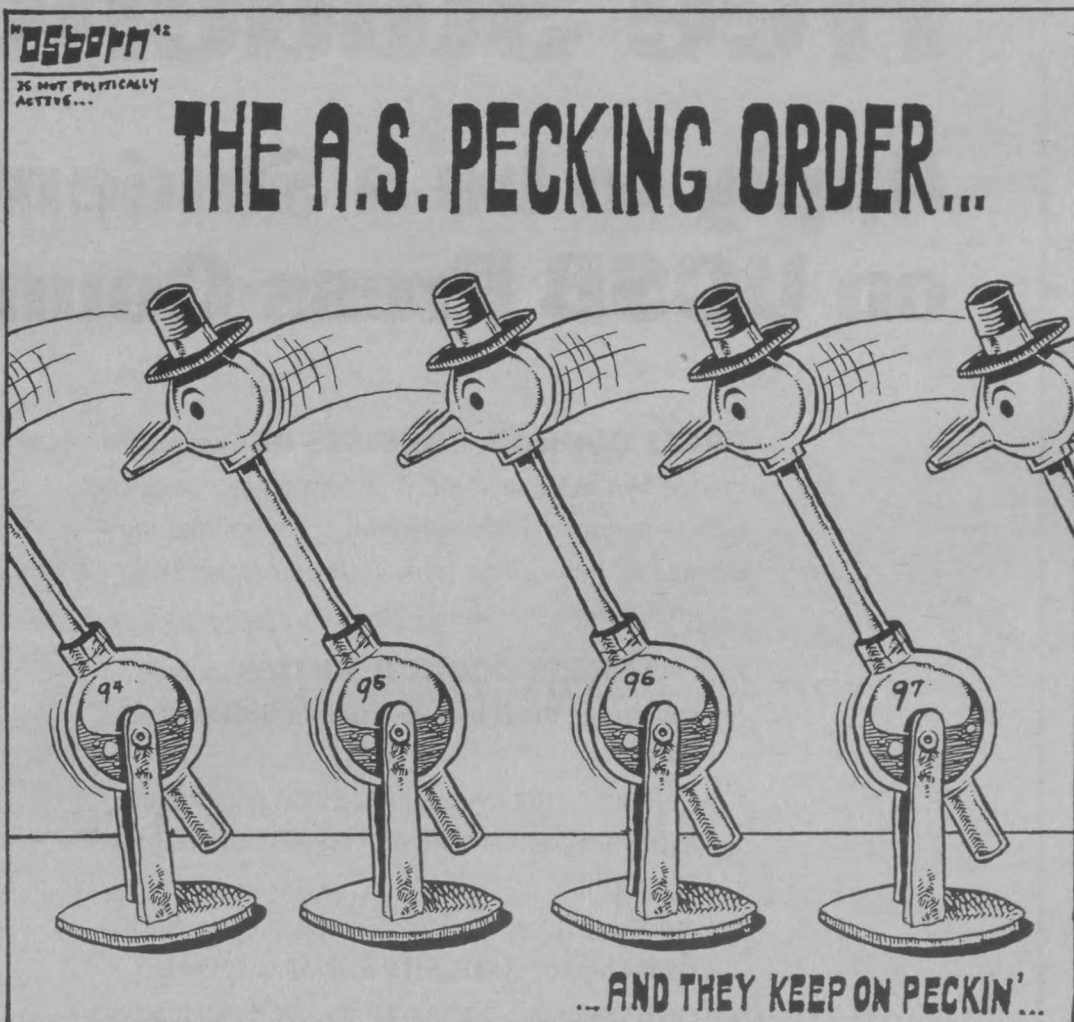
Alas, although A.S. has resources aplenty (thanks to the \$40 per quarter every Gaucho doles out to the Purple Palace), very few of the student officeholders ever take it upon themselves to make any real accomplishments. A lot of position papers get passed by A.S. Legislative Council, each carrying the influence and impact of a month-old cheeseburger. Some A.S. committees and organizations may put on a show. And some elected student officers may even make a cameo at a community meeting or two to show how much they care.

"Where are the people who are willing to put their name and reputation on the line to stand up for what they believe in and inspire others to make a difference?"

But where are the LEADERS?!? Where are the people who are willing to put their name and reputation on the line to stand up for what they believe in and inspire others to make a difference? Where are the people who are willing to listen to all sides of an issue and make an informed decision, rather than talk to a few friends and decide based on what they think? Where are the student officers who are willing to protest injustice until they end up in a cell?

Nowhere, my fellow students, that I can find in this spring's batch of candidates.

It's a sorry state indeed for student politics when I, a former editor in chief of this very paper, look through a list of candidates and recognize only a handful of them from various meetings and gather-



ings around campus and Isla Vista. Who are all these other shmoes? They're the usual gang of résumé-padders and lonely power-craving freaks that always makes A.S. more inefficient than a molasses-powered steam engine.

Most of you students in your college careers have had very little interaction with A.S., aside from during election time. I envy you enormously, because you're not missing out on much. For the first week or

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two of Fall Quarter, all of the new officers act excited to be there and lay out their grand plans and schemes for the rest of the year. Then, within three months,

A.S. becomes a soap opera, with legislative action fueled by personal disagreements between representatives and personal vendettas (generally against the Nexus for printing stories about their sloth). By the end of Spring Quarter, the student reps are more interested in who's macked on who than in the effectiveness of their public policy. It's an ugly cycle.

And it is one that will continue, time and time again. Looking over the motley crew of candidates, I'm certain we'll be seeing another year of petty arguments that lead to ineffective student governance, which will only widen the gargantuan gap of alienation most students feel from their representatives.

Or will we? Prove me wrong, A.S. hopefuls, PLEASE prove me wrong.

At any rate, if you are running for A.S. office, good luck.

Nick Robertson is the daily friday magazine editor.

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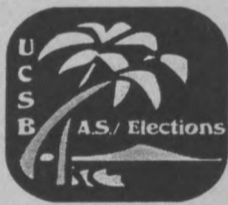
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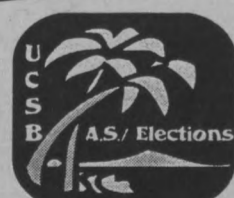
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\$15,000 to \$25,000 a year, according to Dalton.

"I envision that if this bill passes it would have a budget of \$80,000, and the maintenance would get done," he said.

Kops explained that the Bicycle Committee would be in charge of the funds generated by the initiative.

"A coalition of graduate students and [undergraduate] students would be dealing with this money," she said.

The committee will continue to process the funds it currently has from leftover monies in the account, according to Dalton.

"The Parking and Transportation Services set aside \$150,000 from fines and forfeitures for a one-time fix," he said.

Chancellor Henry T.

Yang has vowed to continue assessing the problems confronting the bikepath system.

"During the past, a variety of sources of funds have been used for bicycles," he said. "In the future I will continue to seek the advice of many committees to identify sources of money and priorities to improve our transportation systems, including the bikepaths."

Nevertheless, Kops believes that to continue the efficiency of the bikepaths so that heavy traffic flow is alleviated, improvements must continue.

"There have been some accommodations, but there needs to be more," she said. "Like islands in the middle [of the bikepaths] so you can cross one lane at a time. Those need to be done all over [campus]."

The long-term fate of bicycles on campus is still

uncertain at the moment and remains a debated topic on the university's Long Range Development Plan, which directs all of UCSB's planning and development projects, according to Kops.

"The initial intent of the [LRDP] was to phase out bikes to just the outskirts of campus," she said. "As of right now it's not completely like that."

Political pressure may have been the reason for the new interest in improving the bikepaths, Norris said.

"Finally, the students just got upset enough to do something about it," she said.

Norris added that the students have not always been as interested in the general upkeep of the bikepaths.

"The students have never, as far as I know, contributed to the bikepaths," she said.

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BIKES

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"Since the students are the predominant bike riders around here, many people feel that they should be pitching in."

Junior Spanish major Tammy Patterson thinks that the initiative is a good idea and that many students will choose to support it.

"I would pay [the fee]," she said. "I'm paying for something that I use every day. If it would make my daily travel to school easier, I would pay it."



DONATION

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The fund now totals nearly \$40,000 due to contributions from the UCSB Recreational Sports Program and private donators, according to Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Michael Young.

"[The fund] will be there as a potential source for students who have very serious medical emergencies," he said. "We're excited about it and certainly grateful to Mr. Canfield for his generosity."

According to Student Health Administrator Judith Akiyoshi, a committee has been formed to review the requests for support and to make recommendations on how to distribute the money.

"I'm really relieved because it's heartbreaking when I can't find funding for [students]," she said.

An upcoming event that will raise money for the fund is Canfield's book signing on May 7 in the UCen.

WEIGHTS

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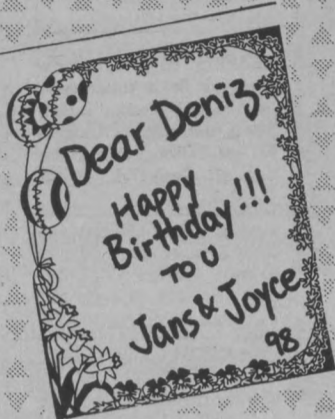


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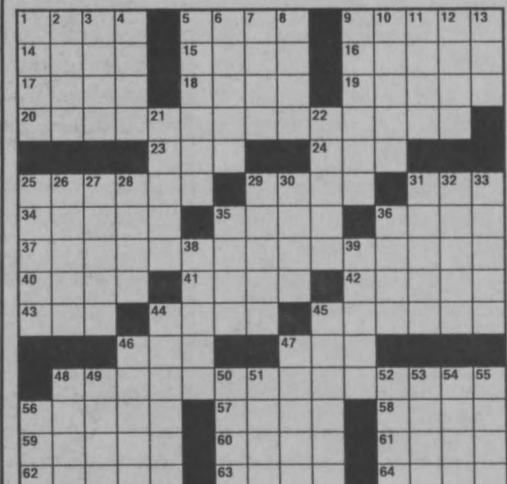
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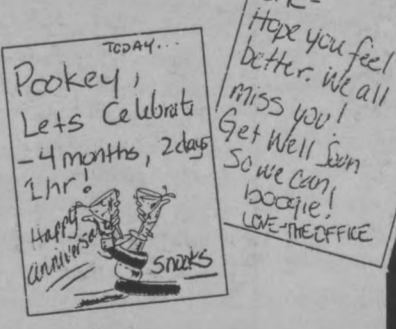
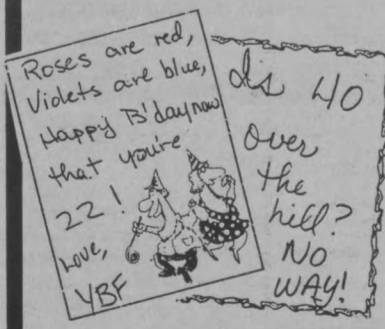
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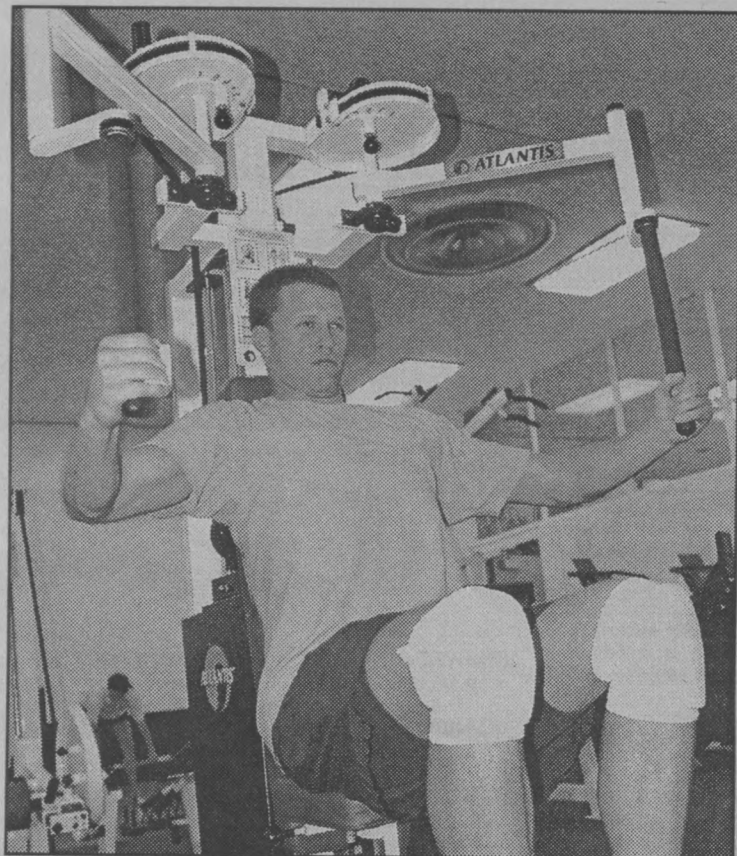
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Sports



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ALL PUMPED UP: Senior volleyball player Garrett MacDonald works out in the new athletes-only weight room in Rob Gym.

UCSB Athletes Finally Get Own Weight Room

BY SCOTT HENNESSEE
Staff Writer

UC Santa Barbara has always been a place where student-athletes have had every chance to expand their minds in the classroom while also competing in sports. Until recently, however, those same student-athletes had no place of their own to expand their bodies.

Monday morning marked the opening of UCSB's new athletes-only weight room. The facility, which replaces a run-down aerobics studio in Robertson Gymnasium, has been a long time coming. Santa Barbara Athletic Director Gary Cunningham and Associate AD Gary Colson made building a weight room a top priority when they first came to UCSB nearly three years ago, and thanks to the contributions of countless volunteers, the project has finally been completed.

Colson said it wasn't easy raising over \$125,000 to make what was once a dream become a reality, but he said that many people in the community bonded together to get it done.

"We did everything except wash cars," Colson said of the fund-raising efforts. "We had golf tournaments, pleaded, begged, borrowed. John Wooden came and spoke last year to raise money. We've had a lot of individuals that have donated their work and time, which is just as valuable as money."

UCSB strength and conditioning coach Jane Frederick, who will serve as the main supervisor of the weight room, is excited to finally have a place both she and the athletes can call home.

"I'm extremely happy — I'm a bug in a rug," she said.

"Sure there are shortcomings," Frederick said of the somewhat small 2,400-square-foot site. "But they are so outweighed by all the benefits of the facility. Really, I have to give so much credit to my boss, Gary Cunningham. He was the force behind the fund raising."

Athletes will no longer have to spend hours in the Recreation Center battling for space and equipment with every other UCSB student. Each team now has its own block of time in which it can come in and work out together with their coach supervising them, something the RecCen would not allow.

Gauchos women's volleyball Head Coach Kathy Gregory is happy to have a new top-of-the-line facility where her team can work on things specific to their sport.

"What I think is good about it is that we can get the personal attention and have all of our athletes working out at the same time for team unity, and a coach can supervise," Gregory said. "Jane Frederick has done an outstanding job of organizing and getting the right equipment. I think it's really staffed with some great equipment for volleyball."

With 21 different teams all wanting to get pumped up, Frederick has worked with the coaches to schedule specific times for each team to work out together, with certain times also set up for drop-ins. The room is mostly stocked with free weights, with a specific power-lifting area and the newest equipment from companies such as Atlantis and Wynmore — a model designed at the University of Nebraska.

Frederick said there are enormous gains that can be had by all of the athletes who use the weight room.

"The interesting thing about a weight room, and about a facility like

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Dias Makes a Difference in Split With LMU

BY MATT HURST
Staff Writer

After 13 days without playing a game, the UCSB softball team faced Loyola Marymount on Tuesday at Campus Diamond. That prolonged inactivity showed, with both teams looking rusty offensively.

"We've had 13 days off, but so has every team in California," Santa Barbara Head Coach Liz Kelly said. "You have to battle through that, but so does everybody else. So I can't say that that's an excuse."

In the first game of the double-dip, the score was knotted at one after the first inning. With two outs in the top of the fourth, LMU left fielder Meghan Dunbabin singled to left, stole second base, then crossed the plate when Kim Bisset singled to left and left fielder Tonya Dias bobbled the ball. This gave the Lions (21-20) all they would need, as Jenny Chambers pitched seven strong innings, allowing six hits and striking out two en route to the 4-1 victory.

"I kept the ball down to get a lot of ground outs," Chambers said. "I know they have a lot of power hitters who like to hit the ball high in the [strike] zone, so that helped me to be able to keep it down."

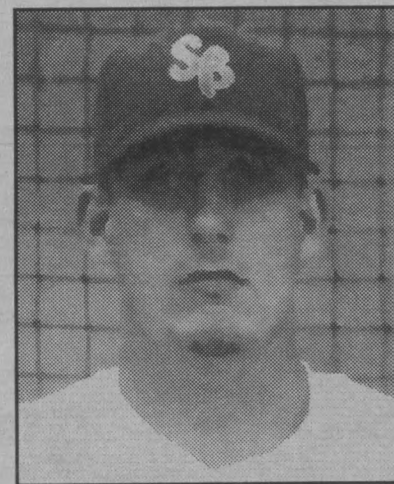
The second game was a true pitching duel, with Gauchos freshman Teresa Tolson facing Loyola's Jenny Hart. The two battled to a scoreless tie through seven innings before LMU pushed across a run in the eighth using the international tie-breaker rule, leaving the Gauchos (21-10) facing a two-game sweep.

Santa Barbara's offense geared up for the extra-innings challenge, though. Due to the international tie-breaker rule, junior Kiki McAulay started on second, then moved to third on sophomore Mandy Edwards' ground-out to second base. Junior Katie Ziegler then hit a sacrifice fly to center field, scoring McAulay. That set the stage for Dias to redeem herself.

After fouling the first pitch off her left foot, Dias smashed the next offering from Hart over the fence in what appeared to be a game-ending home run. It was initially called foul, but after Kelly's protest and a conference amongst the umpires, Dias was awarded the round-tripper, leaving the visitors visibly upset with a split. The 2-1 victory gave Tolson her sixth win, while Dias picked up her fourth homer — tops on the team.

"My leg was hurting [after the foul ball], and it made me angry, so I just wanted to hit the ball real hard," Dias said.

Athlete of the Week



Bryan LaCour

LaCour Content High for Gauchos Baseball

BY STEVE WENDT
Staff Writer

If last weekend was any indication, the University of Nevada can't handle its LaCour. More specifically, the Wolfpack had a tough time holding down UCSB's specially brewed blend of power and patience ... Bryan LaCour.

With a dizzying display of home-run hitting, the Gauchos third baseman left the Reno school punch-drunk and in a state of denial ... okay, enough with the name puns. But make no mistake, LaCour's performance over the weekend was worthy of champagne.

The junior from Northridge knocked three home runs in three days as UCSB took two of three games from the Wolfpack. LaCour (currently batting .315) knocked a three-run homer in last Friday's 7-6 victory and supplied ninth-inning heroics with

another three-run bomb in Saturday's 10-7 win. He capped the weekend with another home run in Sunday's 13-11 loss. The economics major notched 11 RBIs on five hits in the series.

"I swung the bat really well in Reno," LaCour said. "Even when I got out, I hit the ball hard. It was good for me individually, but more importantly, it was good for the team."

UCSB Head Coach Bob Brontsema thought LaCour performed well, especially in Saturday's thriller.

"He came up big for us on Saturday," Brontsema said. "He was down to his last strike but he did a great job of battling the pitcher."

LaCour, who leads the Gauchos with 37 RBIs and shares the team HR lead with six, made his way to UCSB after a couple of years at Stanford, after he grew disenchanted with the Cardinal and needed a change. "My brother was coaching

here at the time," LaCour said. "I talked to Brontsema, and he said there was an opportunity at third. I had a good fall [season] and it kind of solidified my spot."

Brontsema knows that his third baseman, who has struck out just 14 times in 111 at-bats, does more than just rack up stats.

"He makes a pitcher throw him 15-20 pitches in a game. That helps everyone," Brontsema said. "He has such a great approach. I wish all our guys had an approach like that."

That approach is something LaCour is very conscious of.

"I usually take the first pitch," he said. "I hit well with two strikes, and I don't strike out a lot. I'm not afraid of the curveball, so I don't mind being down in the count."

His teammate and roommate Bryan Bear says that LaCour has earned the respect of the team.

"He's not a vocal leader," Bear said. "He just goes out and does it with his bat."