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## Mobil Kills Controversial Clearview Project

By Michael Ball  
Staff Writer

Mobil Oil Corp. announced Thursday it no longer intends to pursue its Clearview Project, ending a four-year push for the controversial oil development.

Mobil's original proposal called for construction of the project roughly one mile from campus, on university land leased by the company for its Ellwood Marine Terminal. The project, a 175-foot slant-drilling tower to reach offshore reserves, was dubbed "Clearview" by Mobil because of the corporation's offer to dismantle its offshore rig Platform Holly in exchange.

However, after Chancellor Henry T. Yang denied a lease modification for the site in June, Mobil examined several alternative locations, none of which could provide the company with access to enough oil reserves to make the project feasible, according to Terry Laudick, area manager.

"The preferred drill site, as you know, was on university property," he said. "Since that time, we looked at alternative drill sites and could not find a comparable drill site. ... None of them could deliver what the Ellwood site could.

"The most difficult part about business is knowing when to say which challenges present the best opportunity ... compared to all the other opportunities we have around the globe."

Alternative sites previously named by the company included Southwest Diversified and Coscan Partners Inc.'s 128-acre parcel adjacent to the Ellwood facility, and land just east of Goleta Beach owned by Southern California Gas Co.

Mobil's decision brings closure to a project criticized by many on campus and declared incompatible with the university's plans for new North Campus housing by the Academic Senate Jan. 26, 1995.

"We appreciate Mobil's timely decision not to go forward with the project," Yang said. "The project has consumed much time and energy of UCSB, our community and Mobil. This decision will allow UCSB to move ahead with more concentrated energy and better focused vision. We can now move ahead with the North Campus housing project without delay.

"We can now be more successful in our efforts in recruitment and retention of top faculty, students and staff, which is essential for us to succeed as a world-class university. We will be able to continue and expand our contribution to the economy of Santa Barbara and our state."

Project opponents expressed relief that debate over the controversial development has reached an end. The project's location was clearly unacceptable, according to Bill Wallace, 3rd District Santa Barbara County supervisor.

"I'm very pleased the Clearview thing is not an

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### A HISTORY OF MOBIL'S CLEARVIEW PROJECT

FALL 1992

State Lands Commission Executive Director Charles Warren approaches Mobil with slant-drilling concept

JANUARY 26, 1995 ✓

Clearview declared incompatible with North Campus housing plans by UCSB Academic Senate

FEBRUARY 9, 1995 ✓

Mobil submits Clearview applications to county

JUNE 22, 1995 ✓

UCSB administration declares Clearview incompatible with housing plans, announces a refusal to modify lease for Mobil

FEBRUARY 8, 1996 ✗

Mobil decides not to pursue the project

SUSAN BURKHART/Daily Nexus

## Officials Believe F.T. Food Probable Source of Sickness

By Tim Molloy  
Staff Writer

Food poisoning from Francisco Torres' cafeteria appears to be the cause of stomach and intestinal illnesses that brought roughly 25 F.T. residents to Student Health Service this week, health officials said Thursday.

While uncertainty surrounded the cause of the illnesses Wednesday, symptoms including vomiting and diarrhea and the short time span in which the students were struck ill point to tainted food, said Alan Chovil, Santa Barbara County Public Health director of preventative medical services.

"They had an acute episode of food poisoning," he said. "A lot of people all coming down sick within a few hours ... food poisoning seems the most likely

cause."

While F.T. residents kept SHS busy all day Wednesday, only one visited the facility Thursday for stomach and intestinal problems, according to SHS Director Cynthia Bowers.

"We are really thrilled," she said. "We could have had 25 people Wednesday and 50 people today. It seems like a really short-lived thing, and this is good."

Chovil said F.T. may need to tighten food-handling standards. However, county Environmental Health Services Supervisor Gerry Winant said he believed F.T. could have received tainted food from a distributor.

It is also possible, but less likely, that the problem was with the food's preparation, accord-

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## Student Group Asks Departments to Help Fund Special Graduation

By Yier Shi  
Staff Writer

Organizers of a special Chicano/Latino graduation ceremony hope to cover \$21,800 in event expenses with donations from other departments that say they are already financially strapped.

Student group El Congreso distributed a letter last week to most campus departments asking each for a \$600 contribution.

"The key reasoning that we are asking the departments is just to keep the option open. After all, it never hurts to ask," said Lisa Navarro-Gutierrez, who

plans to participate and served as last year's chair for El Congreso's Chicano/Latino Graduation Committee.

Among the expenses the group projects for the ceremony are \$1,000 for brochures and \$11,750 for a reception to follow.

Navarro-Gutierrez said the practice of asking departments for money is in addition to other fund-raising methods for the event, including candy sales and Valentine-grams.

"We are trying to do as much as we can to raise money," said Heide Estrada, the current plan-

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## Candidates Tackle Measure A, Halloween

By Michael Ball  
Staff Writer

Hoping to distinguish themselves on important issues before about 50 Isla Vista residents, contestants for the 3rd District Santa Barbara County supervisor's seat met Thursday in a candidate forum.

The event, sponsored by the I.V. Community Enhancement Committee, brought the four candidates — Carol Anders, Willy Chamberlin, Grace Florez and Gail Marshall — together to discuss such issues as oil development, parking and the county's Halloween policy.

With the 3rd District often being the site of oil and gas development, candidates were asked to voice their views on the March ballot initiative

Measure A. The initiative would give voters the final say on future onshore projects approved by the supervisors and not located at one of the county's two approved consolidation sites.

"I feel it's the people's right to decide how they want their community years from now," Marshall said.

Florez, a Santa Barbara School Board member, also expressed support for the ballot measure.

"I was the only candidate on campus gathering signatures to put [Measure A] on the ballot," she said.

However, Chamberlin, a Santa Ynez rancher, said the measure would turn the project approval system into an inefficient process.

"I stand firmly opposed to Measure A," he said.

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J.B. ANDERSON/Daily Nexus

### Sometimes You Feel Like a Nut

This cute little furball comes begging for a delectable cashew, almond or pecan to scarf down or possibly hide away for the winter. After going nuts in a bag of pistachios, the spunky vegetarian lopes back to his sycamore to sleep it off.

# HEADLINERS

## Forbes Looks to Revise Social Security

WASHINGTON (AP) — Steve Forbes wants to push quickly to privatize the giant Social Security fund for younger people, going far beyond more modest overhauls discussed by Democrats and his rivals for the Republican presidential nomination.

Forbes doesn't discuss the plan in his multitude of TV ads, and he is just beginning to raise the politically volatile issue on the campaign trail. However, aides say reworking the old-age pension system would be a high priority should Forbes be elected president.

His plan would put part of young people's Social Security payroll deductions into private savings instead of a government trust fund, and that has some senior citizen groups worried.

"To privatize the system changes its whole nature," said Dan Schulner of the National Council of Senior Citizens.

Nonetheless, the idea has caught the eye of those

who believe they could do a better job than the government of investing their money for old age.

This week, the issue surfaced on the campaign trail in Iowa. Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole began airing a television ad warning: "Steve Forbes plans to end Social Security as we know it."

Dole ran the ad in re-

sponse to a Forbes spot accusing the Kansas senator of failing to protect Social Security. Dole has a long record of working to keep the system solvent through limited changes such as scaling back cost-of-living adjustments and taxing certain benefits.

Other GOP candidates have mostly steered clear of Social Security this year, unless pressed.



*We all know ... that the current system will be broke or bleeding by the time [the] younger people retire.*

Steve Forbes  
presidential candidate

Forbes argues that a sweeping overhaul is needed because Social Security faces insolvency in the year 2030.

He would maintain the current system for Americans now drawing Social Security benefits, plus those retiring in the next decade or so. "Real-life decisions have been made based on those promises," he said.

However, Forbes would phase in private savings for Americans who are ar-

ound age 50 and younger.

"We all know ... that the current system will be broke or bleeding by the time these younger people retire," Forbes told the American Association of Retired Persons.

Forbes has yet to flesh out details of his plan, beyond saying a portion of payroll taxes would go directly into private savings or investment accounts along the lines of an individual retirement account or 401(k) plan through work.

Forbes, who stuck mostly to speaking about the flat tax in early campaign appearances, has begun discussing his Social Security proposal more often, especially in New Hampshire.

"I know they say Social Security is some kind of political Holy Grail — you touch it and you die," he told a group of Republican women. "Well, I'm touching it."

## Bosnian Peace Jeopardized by Split With NATO

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — In a jarring blow to peace, the Bosnian Serb army severed contacts with the NATO-led force Thursday and blocked civilians from



moving freely to show its fury over the arrest of two senior officers on suspicion of war crimes.

Gen. Djordje Djukic and Col. Aleksa Krsmanovic were arrested Jan. 30 when they made a wrong turn around Sarajevo and entered government-controlled territory. Further angering the Serbs, the arrests were endorsed by the interna-

tional war crimes court, which asked that the two men be held until it decided whether they should be indicted.

Serb commander Gen. Ratko Mladic, who himself has been indicted for war crimes, on Thursday banned civilians in Serb territory from crossing into other parts of Bosnia. The Serbs already had suspended all contact with the Muslim-led government to protest the arrests.

Relatively free movement of civilians and steady dialogue among NATO commanders and the rival sides were two of the main achievements of the peace accord thus far.

The Serbs' heated reaction to the arrests has placed the entire delicate process in limbo, prompting Richard Holbrooke, the chief U.S. mediator, to

head back to the Balkans.

"The United States is sending a strong signal to all the parties that the United States wants the Dayton accords fully implemented," said U.S. State Dept. spokesperson Nicholas Burns.

"The Muslims have jeopardized peace, and those who support them also support the option of war," Mladic's closest aide, Lt. Gen. Milan Gvero, said Thursday during a rare news conference at Serb military headquarters.

The NATO-led Implementation Force, buoyed by its success so far in disengaging the combatants, now faces its sternest test yet: trying to restore contact with the Serbs while upholding its duty to make war-crime prosecutions possible.

Capt. Mark Van Dyke, a spokesperson for the force commander, U.S. Adm. Leighton Smith, said the force was awaiting confirmation of Mladic's order from other Serb officials. "We do not recognize Gen. Mladic as a legitimate authority" because of his own war crimes indictment, Van Dyke said.

In the short term, Mladic's order halts everything from negotiations on prisoner releases to work on the demarcation of buffer zones. The Serbs say Djukic and Krsmanovic must be released before contacts are resumed.

The International Red Cross and members of an international police force have been allowed to see the detainees at their prison in Sarajevo, but were denied private conversations.

## Teenager Recovering After Ingesting Toxic Mushroom

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A teenage girl poisoned by a deadly mushroom her family picked then cooked in a spaghetti sauce was in critical but stable condition Thursday



after a liver transplant, and doctors were optimistic she would recover.

It was too soon to tell whether her mother and two brothers, ages 11 and 14, would also need surgery. They were listed in serious condition and doctors were watching for signs of liver breakdown.

"If it progresses, it's conceivable they could require transplants also," University of California Medical Center spokesperson Bill Gordon said. "It's also conceivable they

could come through this without needing transplants."

The 13-year-old girl returned to the pediatric intensive care unit Thursday morning after an eight-hour operation and doctors were hopeful, Gordon said. A listing of critical but stable condition is normal after a major transplant, he said.

"Generally, these are very successful," Gordon said. "They'll watch her over the next couple of hours to see how she does."

Doctors were watching for signs that her body was rejecting the new liver.

According to Dr. William Freedman of the San Francisco Mycological Society, the chance of any additional harm coming from the mushroom poison was small by Thursday because her old liver had absorbed most of its toxins.

## Museum Honors Sweetness of a Unique Type of Candy

BURLINGAME (AP) — To Gary Doss, Pez candies and their cartoon-crowned dispensers have secured a spot in American pop culture for one simple reason.



People eat 'em up. "It's a toy that dispenses candy," Doss said. "What could be more happy than that?"

Doss should know. As owner of the Burlingame Pez Museum — the only institution of its kind in the country — Doss is one of the foremost authorities on the wacky little candy carriers that have been part of American life for more than 40 years.

Step into the museum, which Doss and his wife Nancy opened last year,

and it's easy to see how a guy like him got so smart.

With a collection of about 270 Pez dispensers, the Pez Museum is a tribute to the sugary little sweets and their holders with heads. Among people who love weird things, Pez dispensers are tops.

Though young, the Burlingame Pez Museum, which is housed in the back of Doss' computer store, has become a hot spot for Pez fans across the country.

Doss once showed up at work to find eight suit-clad businessmen who wanted to make sure they got into the museum before returning to St. Louis from a business trip.

The candy has appeared in numerous movies, on magazine covers, is the subject of books — and is available in stores around the world.

"Pez, in one form or another, are everywhere," Doss said.

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## Weather

According to my calculations, at the close of business today, not only the quarter, but also the school year, will be half over. I think it would be kind of stupid to try to make some sort of "optimists would say/pessimists would say" thing, so I won't. In any event, if you haven't yet done all those things you had planned to do this year (if, indeed, plans were made), it's OK. You can pack a lot of living into a Spring Quarter, believe me. Plus, you get to wear less clothing!

Cooler today and toward the weekend as clouds gather. No expectation of storm activity is expected, however. Treat yourself to cake and ice cream. Drillview is dead.

### Correction

In Thursday's Nexus, the story "Dorm Fare a Possible Cause in F.T. Illnesses" incorrectly indicated campus Environmental Health and Safety was investigating reported illnesses. The Santa Barbara County Health Care Division of Environmental Health Services is actually investigating.

## Two Years After Anaconda, Live Bands Return

By Pia Marar  
Reporter

After being filled with piped-in tunes or the sound of silence for more than two years, one of Isla Vista's landmark buildings once again overflows with live music.

Thanks to new management and a permit, bands can now be found performing at the I.V. Beer Company, according to manager Bob Kuntz.

Until D'Jango played Jan. 25, the building had not featured a band since it was the Anaconda, a small concert venue that lost its license in 1993 due to rowdy crowds. The club had featured performances by artists including Body Count, Faith No More and Public Enemy.

"The Anaconda wasn't satisfying obligations to their permit. They could not control the crowds,"

“*There are no conditions keeping them from having live bands.*”

Jon Acosta  
Alcohol Beverage Control Dept.

Kuntz said.

Though the opportunity existed, previous management did not seek a permit for live music, he added.

"The last management did not have a permit to hold live bands; we do. All you have to do is apply for a permit at the Tax Franchise Board," Kuntz said.

After the Anaconda lost its license, the I.V. Billiards Club operated in the building before the I.V. Beer Company arrived, according to Kuntz. Live music was absent during the billiards establishment's occupation because it lacked a permit for such events, according to Kuntz.

Mark Fouts, a senior art studio major, said the Anaconda was known for rowdiness and wild crowds.

"It was kind of cool. Bands I liked were right by my house. There were mosh pits, and I once saw a guy get his nose broken at a Public Enemy concert," he said.

Wild crowds occasionally got out of control and caused problems for I.V. Foot Patrol officers, according to Tim Gracey, Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Dept. public information officer. Though the club did not sell alcohol, concert-goers would often inebriate themselves

before showtime, leading to much of the rambunctious behavior.

"There were problems associated with the Anaconda. One item a few years back, the Foot Patrol was called in because the situation became out of control. There was a confrontation between some people and the officers," Gracey said.

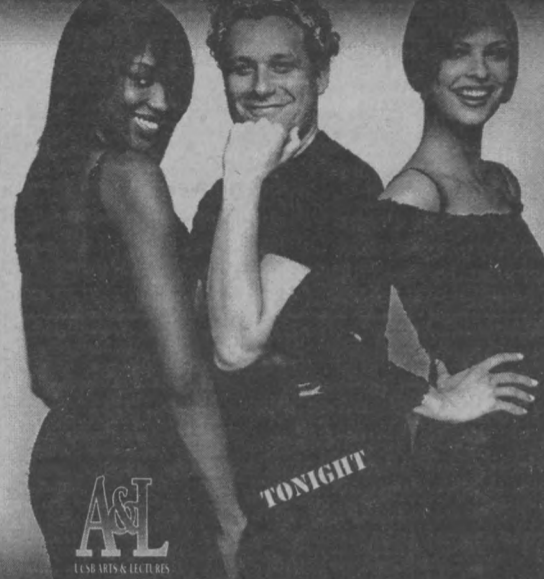
Future shows should pose no threats to the establishment's operations unless problems develop, according to Jon Acosta of the state Alcohol Beverage Control Dept.

"There are no conditions keeping them from having live bands, as long as there is not an ongoing problem with people or some type of law enforcement," he said.

After recently hosting its second show, the IVBC plans to feature more bands in the future, according to Kuntz.

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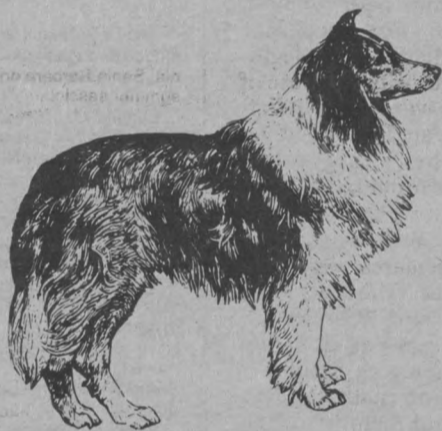
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- ★ **Aries (March 21-April 19).** A friend could come up with an excellent idea this morning. To get involved, you'll have to be willing to learn a new skill. If you can keep the peace with an authority figure, you may be able to achieve another goal. Don't get too riled up.
- ★ **Taurus (April 20-May 20).** You may have to cover for a ditz today, so keep your eyes open. You don't want to get blamed for somebody else's mistake! Tonight should be good for working out a compromise between stubborn individuals. It's worth the effort, so give it a try.
- ★ **Gemini (May 21-June 21).** You and your friends may come up with a very imaginative solution to a tough problem today. Something that used to seem impossible has become only difficult. This evening's fabulous for love, stimulating conversations, and brilliant insights.
- ★ **Cancer (June 22-July 22).** Check to make sure you're not spending more than necessary on a domestic item today. You want the finest, of course, but not at retail! Plan a soothing dinner, especially if you're entertaining guests. That'll help if an argument breaks out.
- ★ **Leo (July 23-Aug. 22).** Although you should be pretty effective today, there are still problems to watch for. Your worst critic may actually contribute to your cause. Romance should go well tonight. Stick with the truth and the whole truth. You'll get the same in return.
- ★ **Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You are one of the few who can tell fantasy from reality. Mention it, when you see it. Financial troubles could stem from wanting something that's not practical. Be careful or you'll buy it anyway! Don't let a family member do that, either.
- ★ **Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** You should be strong, eloquent and particularly good looking today. Others will be awed by your wit, vocabulary and clarity of insight. So make sure you have all your facts straight! Be kind to a studious person tonight. You may need what that one knows.
- ★ **Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** The opposition could be gaining strength, and even your own advisors could be suggesting major concessions. There might be a way you can give up something you don't need anymore, in order to get something better. Soak up information at home tonight.
- ★ **Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** There'll be a lot of wild talk banded about today. Your humorous insights can keep things in proper perspective. Don't let a domestic disagreement impair your objectivity. A group outing should go well, especially if it involves education.
- ★ **Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You may need to learn a few things so you can adjust to a change that's under way. Trust your experience, too. If you're considering a major purchase, do a little more research first. A friend may be able to get you a better deal.
- ★ **Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Today, gather a bundle of other people's ideas and work them into your own plans. By the way, that includes the competition's, too. Build on the framework that's already in place. A drive would also be relaxing. Do something fun with a friend.
- ★ **Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20).** You'll be plenty busy today. There's a whole bunch of stuff that has to be done before quitting time. Unfortunately, a lot of it may be paperwork. Tonight, finish up your taxes. You'll benefit emotionally as well as financially from having them out of the way.
- ★ **Today's Birthday (Feb. 9).** Make imaginative plans for this year, beginning right now. Invest in something old in March. April is excellent for romance, but you may want to wait until October to enter into a legal agreement. Choose a partner in August to build what you design. In October, send your manuscript to the publisher and/or travel to exotic lands. Give something special away in December. A scheme set in motion now could pay off next January.

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## MOBIL: Company to Review Current Operations

Continued from p.1 option," he said. "The idea of drilling a major industrial site in the middle of an urban area in one of the most environmentally concerned areas of the country seemed ridiculous."

Mobil had the option of appealing Yang's decision to the UC Board of Regents, who hold the final say on university land matters, but declined to pursue the idea, according to Shauna Clarke, Mobil public affairs adviser.

"We never made an appeal," she said. "We did talk to a few of them to see what they knew about it, but we never made an appeal."

Just prior to the chancellor's decision, Mobil agreed to acquire and redesign Ocean Meadows Golf Course to increase the buffer between the drill site and university housing. However, an agreement could not be reached with the campus' administration, according to Laudick.

"One of the unfortunate

facts is we never got the chance to meet with Chancellor Yang after the decision," he said.

Opposition to the project included an active group of concerned students whose efforts against the project greatly contributed to its down-

fall, according to Dave Fortson, Environmental Affairs Board chair.

"I think it's a total win for the environmental community as well as Santa Barbara in general," said Fortson, a junior environmental studies major. "The students were very vocal in opposition to Mobil. Hopefully, this is a trend that will continue with students."

Now the company will

examine the possibility of expanding current operations on Platform Holly using slant-drilling technology to increase access to oil reserves, according to Laudick.

"We will evaluate our options for our current Platform Holly operation.

These options include maintaining current operations, increasing production by further development... or abandoning operations," he said. "A significant expansion of Platform Holly would allow you to use the same comparable extended-reach drilling technology."

By conceding defeat, Mobil has shed light on the need for Measure A, originally targeted at Clearview, which would give voters a say on certain future onshore oil and gas projects if it passes in March, according to Linda Krop, Environmental Defense Center senior staff attorney.

"I think it's a great vindication of the public's concerns that have been raised," she said. "It emphasizes the importance of public input on massive projects like that. Hopefully, this decision will get people to support Measure A."

Mobil's decision comes amid company downsizing, which will cut 600 jobs from U.S. operations.

Laudick sought to calm any concerns that the project could be revived in the future, citing strategic business planning as the sole factor in the decision.

"This was a strategic choice," he said. "It is not Mobil's intent to pursue this as a tactic... and come back after a few years."

Mobil's failure was due partly to inaccurate assumptions about the reception the Clearview proposal would receive, according to political science Assistant Professor Bruce Bimber, who lives in West Campus housing located near Mobil's original drill site.

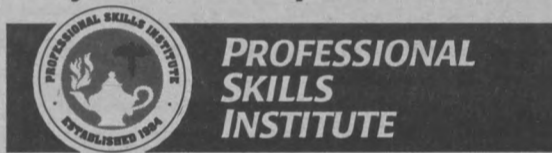
"From the very beginning, it appears Mobil misjudged how people responded to the proposal," he said. "Lots of people in the community rallied in opposition to the project."

Though some fear Mobil's decision may strengthen the perception of the county as a difficult business environment, Wallace believes it will enhance the area's reputation.

"I hope it would further the myth of Santa Barbara as a good place to do business because of the environment," he said. "The myth of this being a bad place to do business is propelled by people who want to bash environmentalists. If you talk to people who do business here... it's a good place to do business."

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# SICK

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ing to Winant.

"I would expect that it's food rather than a food handler," he said. "I don't know if it's mishandling in the kitchen or something that was delivered to them."

F.T. General Manager Kent Dunn said he was eager to learn what the problem was and correct it.

"We're cooperating fully and want to know what it is because we're very concerned about our residents," he said. "If they can identify a food source, we will certainly go after it. ... And we're pleased to know it doesn't appear to be related to anything Francisco Torres employees do."

Still, Dunn said he would not rule out the

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**Kent Dunn**  
general manager  
**Francisco Torres**

possibility that the illnesses were caused by a virus rather than food poisoning. This possibility was supported by the fact that some of those struck will live close to one another, he said.

However, Winant said he was not aware of any contact among the sick students. "They appear to all have some foods in common and [the students] appear to be unconnected," he said.

EHS took samples from several foods at F.T. Thursday and will test

them over the next few days to determine if any of them caused the illnesses, according to Daniel Reid, EHS senior environmental health specialist.

A surprise EHS inspection of F.T.'s food preparation facilities Nov. 15 and a follow-up Jan. 11 found that walls, floors and ventilation system needed some corrections, according to Reid. However, there were no concerns about food handling, he said.

"They've always had a fairly decent inspection re-

cord and a good working relationship with us," Reid said.

One concern was that some food was served on a carpeted area, which does not hold with county standards of cleanliness, according to Reid.

Winant said any health threat should be gone as long as F.T. has served the last of any tainted food. Nevertheless, the illness could break out again if contaminated food remains and is unknowingly served, he said.

"I would expect it probably to peter out," he said. "There's no way of knowing, though."

Dunn said that if there was any tainted food, it was most likely already gone. "Food is out of here every three days," he said, noting that the cafeteria serves more than 3,000 meals a day.

## FORUM: Parking Solution Requires Local Input

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"I don't think that is a way to run a government whatsoever."

All four candidates agreed on the severity of the I.V. parking problem and said input from area residents would be crucial to fashioning a solution.

Much of the problem lies in motorists from outside I.V. taking up parking space during the day while they attend UCSB, according to Chamberlin.

"We need a plan so that only those individuals who live here can park here," he said. "To me the answer lies within the community."

Anders, a former Solvang mayor, said any solution should try to avoid use of a proposed lot at El Colegio and Los Carneros roads because of the distance it may force some students to park from their apartments.

"I don't think of Isla Vista as a mall, where you park on the perimeter and try to find your apartment," she said.

The candidates also responded to questions about the county's Halloween "no tolerance" policy, which has been questioned by some following a low turnout at this year's celebration.

Anders said the plan was necessary to reduce danger

to students.

"They did what they needed to do to — bring the situation under control," she said.

The next step is for community members to examine what direction the festivities should take, according to Chamberlin.

"It had gotten to a spot where it was extremely dangerous," he said. "I think now it is time for this community to look at what type of Halloween it should be."

The forum helped highlight the candidates' differing philosophies, according to Derek Cole, Associated Students external vice president for local affairs.


"The forum went really well. I think the audience was very receptive to what the candidates had to say," he said. "There was enough of a philosophical and ideological break so anyone who came had enough to distinguish the candidates."

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# OPINION

"True progress quietly and persistently moves along without notice."  
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# Democrats Have a Lot of Work

Travis L. Moon

Most educated and informed people agree that the "revolution" led by Newt Gingrich, has been a complete failure. Not only have the Republicans failed in that America became nothing more than a series of broken promises because they have lost touch with those Americans who are unlike the white, wealthy conservative politicians who know what's best for everyone.

Unfortunately, however, the Democrats still have the power to take back the seats that were lost in the House of Representatives. If they begin to move to take back these positions and causes that the Democratic Party has traditionally stood for, which tend to alienate an increasingly centrist public, stronger stances on other traditionally Democratic causes such as civil rights, protection for the elderly, minorities, children, and the environment.

A major criticism of the Democrats, which Republicans have used in their propaganda campaigns (remember Willie Horton), is that they are "soft on crime."

Historically, there is some truth to this. The Democrats have spent a lot of money in a crime bill to open up gymnasiums in the middle of the night at midnight. They had hoped that this activity would help the street.

After a salvo of Republican criticism, Congress ended the funding for additional police officers. It is exactly this sort of preposition that has put the Democrats in trouble over the years. When Americans see this, they feel the party is out of touch with the people.

The crime issue is an important one because it affects everyone. No one wants to go to their car at night without worrying about getting it stolen. No one wants to be able to withdraw money at an ATM without worrying about being robbed. Above all, Americans want to know that their families are safe from criminals who should be locked up, not out on parole.

The Democrats, to emphasize their commitment to law and order, should first to criticize the "three strikes law" and sponsor a bill to lock up more criminals. The truth is that American prisons (state, federal, and local) are at capacity with prisoners who are neither dangerous nor violent. Many of these prisoners are serving time for drug-related offenses — crime that is not violent.

Instead of allowing the taxpayer to finance these prisoners, the government should go toward drug prevention and treatment, and not toward the most dangerous and violent of criminals.

Imagine the precedent set by throwing a violent rapist into prison. Imagine prisons filled to capacity, not with violent criminals, but rather with murderers, rapists, child molesters, gay-bashers and other violent felons. I'd be glad to see those people off the street for the rest of their lives.

Prisons should not be used for social experimentation. Prisons should be places that resemble one of the worst levels of hell, a place that makes one think twice before committing a crime. Prisons are not supposed to be institutions that rehabilitate criminals. A one-strike law would hold all violent criminals accountable for their actions.

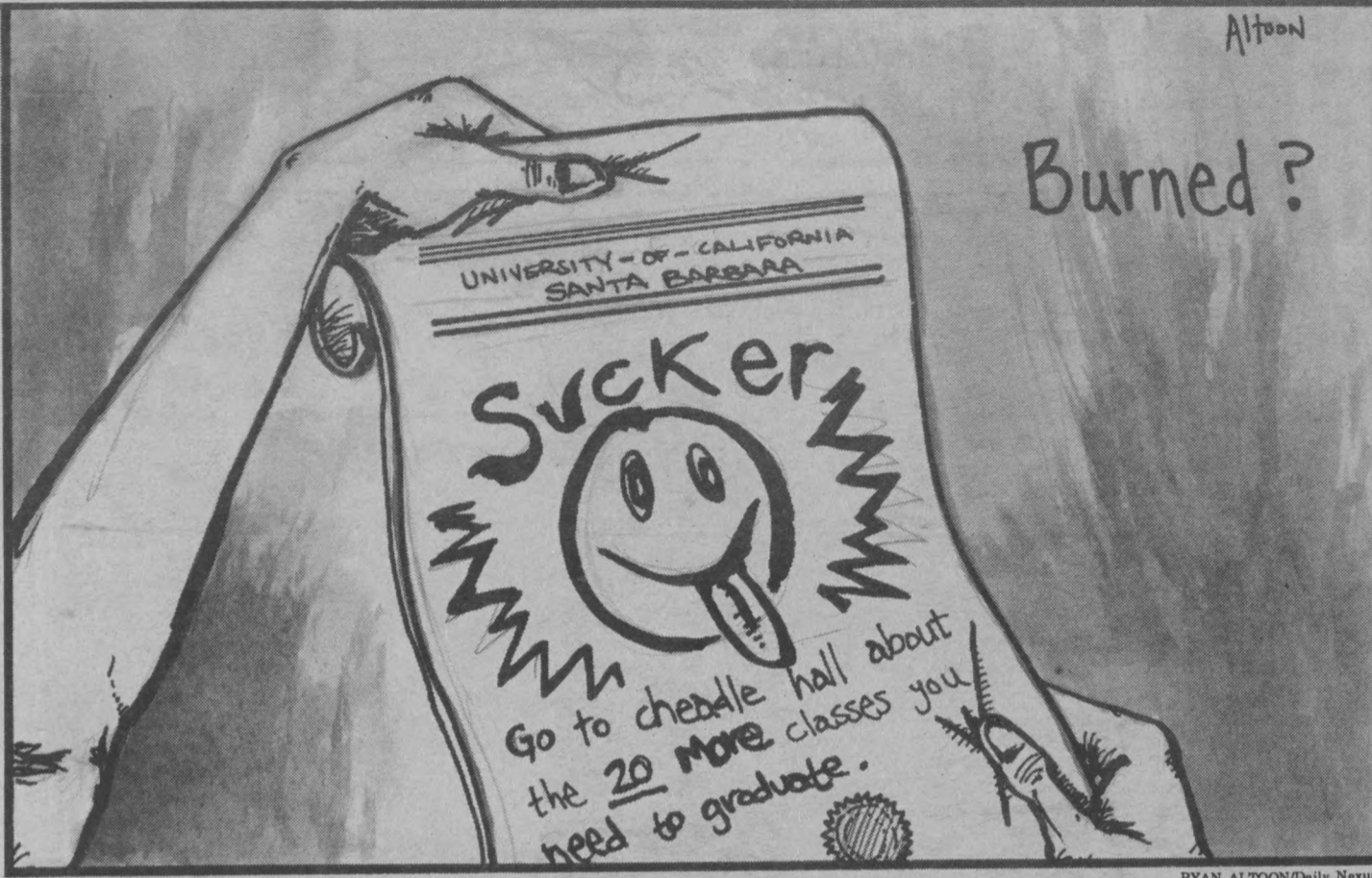
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The Democratic Party, if it is truly to be the party of the people, should struggle for order the way it has traditionally championed. The most basic way to set people free is not through Affirmative Action or releasing a deprived prisoner, but through policies that allow decent people to leave their own homes, and to take walks hand-in-hand and feel safe.

Travis L. Moon is a Nexus columnist.



## Mind Your Units

Student Counseling Services at UCSB Need Enhancement

### Editorial

Inevitably, at the end of every school year, seniors look back on all of their classes and major requirements, fill out their paperwork and undergo the awesome experience that is graduation. They walk in commencement, wave goodbye to the school and head out into the rest of their lives — never expecting to head back except for a nostalgic weekend getaway.

Until several weeks later, when they receive a letter from Cheadle Hall stating that they did not actually graduate and still have more units to complete.

Fear is beginning to grow among seniors that this very scenario will happen to them, as it has happened over and over in years past. For some, their fear will motivate them to seek out the information about their status that will allow them to circumvent this tragedy. For others, graduation will be a version of academic Russian roulette.

In the struggle to make it through the quarterly class load, many students never take time to check on their progress toward graduation, and this leaves a fair number of them having to take more classes after they thought they were done.

To avert this problem, the Office of the Registrar gives students who have more than 135 units the opportunity to obtain a Senior Progress Check to find out what classes they still need to graduate.

However, many students don't know this service is available, and the office will provide these checks only upon student request. And even after the request is made, it takes up to 60 days for it to be completed, often too late for a student to take action.

The reason behind the long delay is the minuscule staff who processes the requests. The Gradua-

tion Matters Unit consists of five people who process each request and mail it, and these are the same people who work daily in the Office of the Registrar helping students.

If a student wants to see a Letters and Science counselor, he or she must make an appointment with one of the only six such advisers in the office. These six counselors serve roughly 15,000 undergraduates — or 2,500 students per adviser.

Right now new offices are under construction to house administrative services. However, the advisers are not slated to move to the new facilities, and a staff increase is not in the works.

Obviously, there is a drastic hurdle to be overcome by all students who would like to graduate from this university. Seniors should be aware of what needs to be done in order to graduate, and advisers need to be able to inform the campus about their services and to handle the flow of students expediently.

A possible solution that would accommodate both students and administrators is to have mandatory Senior Progress Checks performed at staggered times throughout the school year for students who have at least 135 units. At the very least, a greater effort needs to be made to inform students that the progress checks are available.

To do this, of course, the offices serving students need enough staff to deal with the workload. We, as students, pay for these services and should get our money's worth.

If you are a senior who hopes to graduate but haven't checked your progress through Cheadle Hall, time's running out fast. Save yourself a rude awakening next June.



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## Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



# Have a k Ahead

## Moon

hat the so-called "Republican Revolution" was a complete failure. That their infamous Contract With America promises, but they have failed to move away from those ultra-liberal who work hard for their money, politicians who mistakenly believe they

have their work cut out for them. For the House and Senate, as well as retain to move away from those ultra-liberal who has traditionally embraced — those who are not public. They need to take much more democratic causes (women's rights, gay children) rather than compromise

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# The Poor Need Your Support

Nancy Williams

In Tijuana during the past month, 44 infants and elderly people died due to the cold. Poverty and homelessness during the wet and cold winter months demand intensified strategies for survival. Keeping clothes and

blankets dry and out of leaky spots may be impossible. Equally difficult is getting warm after chills have begun, especially without the necessary resources, such as dry clothes, a source of heat and warm food or drink.

This column is meant to remind people that this is a good time of year to clean out closets and donate surplus items. There are many who would make appreciative recipients. Local homeless people may need plastic, umbrellas, warm food, sleeping bags, clothes, etc.

Many people do not know the conventions of giving. My children and I have given bags of clothes and food di-

rectly to homeless people. We simply asked them if they could use the gifts.

The people in Tijuana have a lot of special needs. Cardboard houses get wet and soggy in the rain. Mud runs through the ill-sealed "floors" of the houses. Most roofs leak, permitting water to soak clothes, blankets and food. People become trapped inside their cold, wet homes, unable to walk in the slippery mud, going with very little food or clean water, until the rain stops.

I travel to Tijuana every other week, facilitating Montessori teacher training in a very poor colonia, and know of many families who are in urgent need of warmth. If any readers wish to donate clothes, shoes, blankets, rice, beans or cooking oil to the Tijuana people, I would be happy to make the deliveries.

I can be located at the Atrium in the Arts Building (ceramics, next to the lagoon) on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4 to 7 p.m. for delivery. For further info, e-mail unlw@mcl.mcl.ucsb.edu or call 682-5624.

Nancy Williams is a Montessori Phoenix Projects, Inc. facilitator.



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## The Reader's Voice

### We Need Guns

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Your editorial (Daily Nexus, "Concealed Logic," Feb. 2) was so full of its own misplaced and unreasoned logic that I have to respond.

Current regulations for the lawful carrying of firearms basically state that, unless you have already been threatened with death repeatedly and the police can't do anything about it (which more often they can't), then you may go beg and plead for the ability to protect yourself, and you MAY be afforded that privilege, based on the whim of a LOCAL constable.

The new proposal would streamline the process, making everyone subject to the same laws and conditions (ever hear of something called "equal treatment under the law"?) throughout the state. It would allow people who, for whatever reason, felt the need and have displayed CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY (i.e. not be a criminal) the PRIVILEGE (notice I didn't say RIGHT) to carry a firearm.

As a privilege, this action is then subject to governmental control and is revocable at any time. It is subject to renewal. Persons applying for the permit are rigorously tested, by local police forces, for proficiency and safety with the weapon. They are fully educated as to laws regarding the proper and improper uses of the weapon.

The permit is generally tied to a specific pistol/pistols, which are checked via serial number to ensure they are not stolen. The weapon is fired and the ballistics are kept on record. There are A LOT of controls placed upon this PRIVILEGE. The information comes from personal experience with the laws in Minnesota, and secondhand from a friend in Texas, where they currently have a concealed-weapon permit system much like the one proposed here.

As to your arguments against this law, they are childish and insulting to responsible gun owners. Your statement that it allows "too much leeway for deviants" who haven't been caught yet is ridiculous, because those "deviants" have already displayed a penchant for not obeying laws in the first place and are already probably carrying a gun right now.

As to "tempers flare and people act uncontrollably," this is an irrational and speculative statement designed to stir up unreasoned fear.

First, it is illegal, nationwide, for those under 21 to possess a pistol. This alone removes 95 percent of out-of-control behavior. A person carrying a gun lawfully is not more likely to act irrationally or reach for their gun every time someone cuts them off or "disses" them or whatever. Threatening someone with a weapon is still a FELONY, with minimum 1+ year jail times and thousand dollar fines and such, regardless of whether you have a carry permit for the pistol!

I'd imagine people who had the fortitude to attend 4+ weeks of intensive training, endure

personal and criminal background checks and spend hundreds of dollars on training/the permit/the pistol to be LESS likely to go out of control and risk jail. Plus, I'd rather trust the next guy walking down the street to come to my aid than trust the chance of finding a cop when you need one. They're out munching donuts and pointing radar guns at the traffic.

"States that ... have similar laws ... have not reported significant decreases in armed crime." What kind of statement is that? Where are your facts? What is "significant" and who gets to determine that? I'll bet that even if only one woman thwarts a rape, catches a menace to society and brings him to justice, it will be significant to you and me, and especially to her.

This new law will allow people to become, to use the buzzwords of the liberals, "proactive" instead of "reactionary" when it comes to crime and their personal safety. Crime in this country is not caused by guns, but rather by those desperately poor, and more so by those addicted to drugs.

The sick wackos are going to hurt people somehow regardless of whether or not they have guns. If someone targets me, I don't want to stand around and be a statistic, a victim; I don't want to die for lack of defending myself. I agree with only one line of your editorial, and that is the last one. "Lives may depend on it."

MICHAEL SOMMERS

### Doom Duo

Editor, Daily Nexus:

We are writing to express *great concern* over the articles printed by the Semingson sisters on Tuesday and Wednesday (Daily Nexus, The Reader's Voice, Feb. 6; Daily Nexus, "High School Nostalgics Are Misled Losers," Feb. 7).



KEVIN GLEASON/Daily Nexus

We believe we have found the reason for the siblings' discontent: Someone pissed in their Cheerios one too many times as young'ns, and this, in combination with their general bleak outlook on life, has turned them into falsely superior, outright bitter individuals. Seriously, I've seen happier people waiting in line for Morrissey tickets.

C'mon, are things so bad? Peggy, did you get beat up by those mean senior girls every day in high school? Did you lose your lunch money due to a thorough thrashing? Is your friend who spent their sophomore year eating alone actually you, or are these the kind of people you just have pity for from personal experience? In the *five* years you've been here, have you considered trying the UCSB chapter of LWCPA? (Losers, Whiners, Complainers and Pissy People Anonymous). Maybe you should. You also say that "College is the biggest fork in the road," but aren't you the biggest stick in the ass?

As for your sister, the good humor girl, what has Magic ever done to you? We're talking about one of the greatest basketball players of all time whom tragedy struck when he was informed that he had contracted the HIV virus. His wife bravely stuck it out with him, because of the great, giving man that he is, not the coniving adulterer you paint him to be.

You say that "Who gives a shit if he can dunk a damn ball in a basket?" Well, we all sure care more about how many times Magic scratches himself during a game than about your bitter, sniveling commentary.

Lighten up, Sisters of Doom! Let the sun shine in through the black clouds of death you have hovering above you! On the other hand, I suppose that if the sun ever did touch either of you, you'd melt.

You're at UCSB, remember? Have a beer! See a sunset! Hug a hippie! It appears that the generation that you have pegged, Peggy, as "permanently juvenile" looks that way only to the small, blubbery constituency that you claim to represent.

TREVOR SHOEMAKER  
BRAD LOCKER

### Semingson Support

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I wholeheartedly, 210 percent agree with Peggy Semingson's article (Daily Nexus, "High School Nostalgics Are Misled Losers," Feb. 7).

I salute her for offering a very truthful account of what high school is all about. In my opinion, high school was a bunch of shit.

While I was in high school, practically everyone was preoccupied with popularity and establishing such a glorious reputation in order to be accepted among their peers. But once we graduate from high school and went our separate ways, did everything *really* matter?

Peggy Semingson was quite accurate when she said that "High school is a horrible, almost traumatizing experience," and to "Imagine a clean slate when you come to college." I believe that many people change mentally in the transition from high school to college — many without even realizing it. It is a welcome change. Thank you for writing a great article that holds much universal truth.

RYAN RASKIN

## MONEY: Ceremony Aims at Cultural Awareness

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ning committee co-chair. "Everyone is getting involved in planning for this event."

However, in light of recent budget strains, some departments say they have too little money to donate to a student organization unaffiliated with their field. Physics Dept. Chair Robert Sugar is among those who believe their funds are too short to help the ceremony.

"I don't think it's appropriate to give money that is taken away from teaching and research from the Physics Dept.," he said. "There are many student organizations worthy of funding, but individual departments should just support their own students."

Sugar said El Congreso is the first student group to request funding for a non-physics event during his two

years as chair.

His concern for budget restraints is shared by Charles Wolfe, Film Studies Dept. chair.

"Discretionary spending has been severely cut in the past few years," Wolfe said. "What we have to spend for ourselves is small change in the budget."

Nevertheless, Wolfe did not rule out funding the event.

"I'm going to do what I usually do," he said. "I am going to consult with the faculty of my department and make a decision."

The June 15 program will be the 21st Annual Chicano/Latino Graduation Ceremony, according to El Congreso. Because of a fund shortage last year, each of the more than 60 students who participated had to spend al-

most \$200 of their own money, according to Navarro-Gutierrez.

Some funding for the 1995 ceremony came from the Educational Opportunity Program, Center for Chicano Studies, Chicano Studies Dept. and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Michael Young's discretionary fund, she said.

The ceremony is important because it allows participants to join and promote cultural awareness, according to Navarro-Gutierrez.

"The purpose of the graduation is to take pride in our tradition," she said. "It's a celebration of our culture. We like to do something extra for our families and friends."

The graduation will be conducted in both English and Spanish so Spanish-speaking families can enjoy it more, according to Estrada.

"I think that sometimes different groups of people find affirmation in being together," said Chicano studies Professor Yolanda Broyles-González. "This is the essence of being a community."

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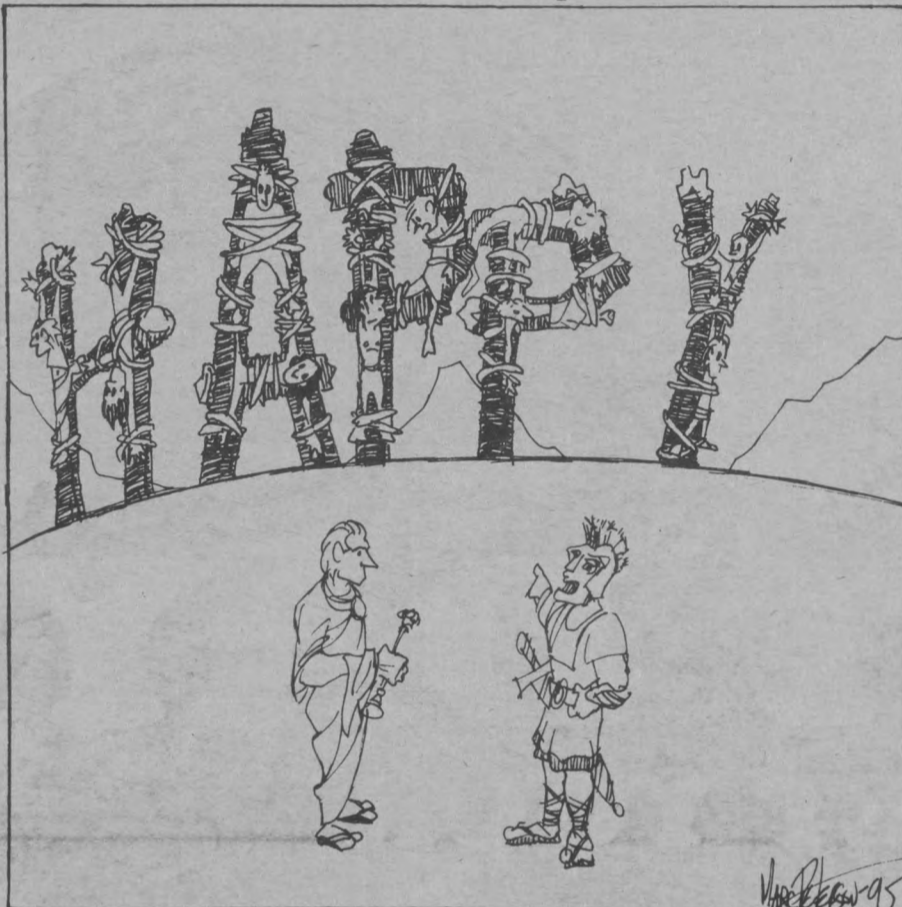


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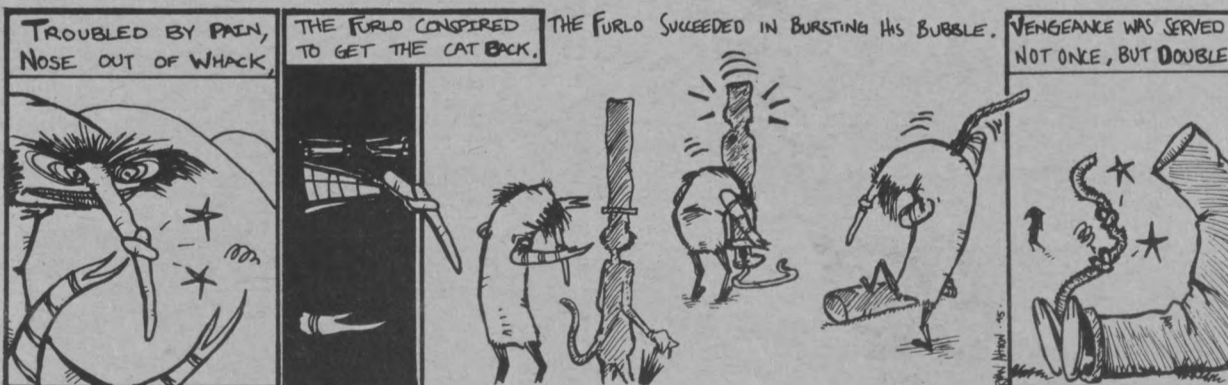
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# LOSS

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Against NMSU, part of the reason for the Gauchos' low offensive output was their poor 9-30 shooting from behind the three-point arc.

"A lot of our threes weren't really falling. ... I

know I missed my first couple," said McDougal, who scored a game-high and career-high 28 points on 11-24 shooting, in addition to pulling down a career-high 10 boards.

UCSB Head Coach Jerry Pimm, however, blames the loss on the Santa Barbara's inability to maintain a first-period lead despite taking the advantage on several occasions.

"They played more ag-

gressive than we did in the first half and our defense wasn't equal to the challenge in the first half," he said. "They got 10 offensive rebounds and created 10 turnovers and that beat us.

"We let them stay with us in the first half and they got the feeling they could win. We lost the game, in my opinion, in the first half, when we didn't defend them."

UCSB 59, NMSU 60										
NEW MEXICO STATE										
	min	fg	at	ft	r	a	tp			
Torian	31	3	6	0	0	4	1	7		
Lampkin	35	2	7	3	4	4	1	7		
Davis	30	2	12	4	4	5	0	8		
Burns	32	7	10	0	1	6	1	14		
Johnson	29	1	9	2	4	6	1	4		
Leban	21	2	4	0	0	2	4	6		
Gosa	17	3	7	2	2	3	1	0		
Brodie	15	1	3	0	0	1	2	2		
Totals	200	21	58	11	15	36	11	60		

UC SANTA BARBARA										
	min	fg	at	ft	r	a	tp			
Allen	21	0	2	0	0	3	1	0		
Flick	25	4	12	2	2	10	1	14		
Wallace	25	2	4	0	0	3	0	4		
McDougal	35	11	24	2	2	10	1	28		
Turner	37	3	5	0	1	2	9	6		
Prince	24	2	7	0	0	2	0	5		
Miller	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Buntin	20	1	2	0	0	6	0	2		
Totals	200	23	56	4	5	37	12	50		

Halftime: UCSB 30, NMSU 30.  
Three-point goals: NMSU 7-16 (Torian 3-6, Lampkin 0-1, Johnson 0-2, Leban 2-3, Gosa 2-4), UCSB 9-30 (McDougal 4-11, Flick 4-11, Prince 1-5, Allen 0-2, Turner 0-1).  
Blocked Shots: UCSB 6 (Flick 3, Buntin 2, Allen), NMSU 2 (Burns 2).  
Steals: NMSU 9 (Johnson 2, Leban 2, Gosa 2, Torian, Davis, Burns), UCSB 4 (Flick, McDougal, Turner, Buntin).  
Turnovers: NMSU 8, UCSB 17.  
Total fouls: NMSU 12, UCSB 13. Fouled out: None. Technical fouls: None.  
Referees: Dick Carmell, Terry Tackett, Jerry Scott.  
Attendance: 4,102.

Prince's three-point attempts in their last two possessions fell short, so too did the Gaucho comeback.

As I sat there reflecting on what I had just witnessed, a thought occurred to me. Wouldn't it have been nice if the first half could have been more like the second? Like that beer commercial where two guys slap down the bottle and two things that have nothing in common are joined together — now that would have been cool, Beavis, heh, heh.

# 2HALVES

Continued from p.12  
In UCSB's 60-59 defeat at the hands of the New Mexico State Aggies Thursday night, the first half of the game was nothing less than boring. The play by both squads was sloppy, the intensity was lacking and after 20 minutes the score was tied. Santa Barbara shot a crisp .414 from the field (the Gauchos average closer to 45 percent), while New Mexico State hit a sharp .324, which was not good.

From a sportswriter's perspective, this was the last thing I wanted. Sitting there with my notepad in hand, I thought that if the second half is anything

like the first, I was going to end up having to write about Jerry Pimm's choice of ties. Not that it wasn't a nice tie, but it wasn't exactly newsworthy.

Then like a bolt of lightning, the second half got under way and both squads seemed to come out with a certain spark in their eyes. Perhaps it was the halftime speeches that ignited them. Maybe it was the heated rivalry between the two schools. Or maybe it was simply the Goleta tap water kicking in. Whatever it was, it worked.

UCSB sophomore forward Kealon Wallace started things off with a thunderous dunk. The Gauchos followed that with layups from senior guards Philip Turner and

Lelan McDougal. Before I knew it, I was into the game. And so was the small but vocal crowd. The cheering became louder, the intensity increased and the Phantom of the Dome's silly chants seemed more effective.

Now this was a game. After falling behind, the Gauchos fought their way back and then took a one-point lead on a Mark Flick three-pointer with little more than a minute left. Then I saw something refs never call: Wallace was whistled for traveling on a three-on-none breakaway dunk. Talk about your untimely calls. Even if he did take that extra step, I've seen players get away with worse.

As senior forward Flick and senior guard Dane

## GaUCHO Baseball Squad Hits the Road for Three

By Curtis Kaiser  
Staff Writer

Having jumped out to a 4-0 start, the UCSB baseball team will try to continue its success in this young season as it heads north for a three-game series with Cal State Sacramento. Today's game begins at 2 p.m., while Saturday and Sunday's contests will start at 1 p.m.

The 1996 season has been as unkind to the Hornets (0-5) as it has been kind to the Gauchos. After falling to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo twice, CSS lost to Chico State, University of San Francisco and Stanford University.

Santa Barbara has relied on a powerful offense and solid starting and relief pitching to dominate its opponents. UCSB has batted .420 to its foes' .252, slugged 12 home runs

to its opponents' one, outfielded its rivals .963 to .917 and posted a 2.73 ERA to the opposition's 12.03.

UCSB pitching coach Tim Montez feels the key to the Gauchos' early season success has been the players' attitude toward the game and each other.

"The biggest thing has been the way the guys are approaching the game and getting along," he said. "The key is having guys accept their roles."

The Gauchos' lineup has revealed no weak spots. Junior catcher/first baseman Dave Willis and junior outfielder Brett Hardy have led the way in the power department with four and three home runs, respectively. Willis leads the team with 12 RBI and has a 1.176 slugging percentage, while Hardy has eight RBI and a 1.214 hitting percentage.

Other Gauchos on fire include ju-

nior second baseman Clark Parker (.500, three stolen bases), sophomore shortstop Mike Young (.500), junior outfielder Collin Weitzman (.500), freshman catcher/designated hitter Justin Lehr (.444, three doubles, seven RBI), junior first baseman Brooks Morris (.417), senior center fielder Wynter Phoenix (.333) and senior third baseman Lou Tapia (.333).

The hottest Gaucho, however, may be senior outfielder Ryan Kritscher, who missed the season's first game with a back injury. In two games, however, Kritscher has batted .750 with two doubles, two homers and four RBI.

On the mound, juniors Jorvic Salazar (1-0) and Seth Bean (1-0, 3.48 ERA) have paced the starters, while junior relievers Steve Cain, Bryan Noyes, Clint Pearson and John Minton have yet to allow a run.

## Softball Team Tries to Tame Mustangs at SLO

By Alex Nugent  
Staff Writer

Coming off a disappointing two-game loss to Cal State Northridge in the home opener, the UCSB softball team looks to get on the winning track as it visits Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Saturday for a doubleheader.

The Mustangs, who will join Santa Barbara (0-2 overall) in the Big West Conference next season, will return six starters from a year ago and are a team

which posted a 25-18 record in its first season at the Division I level.

"Cal Poly has two good pitchers in Desarie Knipfer and Kelly Smith," said UCSB Head Coach Liz Kelly. "They are a balanced team and we have to play our best to beat them. We just have to work on keeping them off the base and shutting them down when they are on base."

The pitching duo of sophomores Knipfer and Smith was one of the nation's best statistically last

season as the two boasted a combined 1.39 ERA, good for 17th in the nation. Knipfer set a Cal Poly record, striking out 151 batters while finishing eighth in the nation with a 0.74 ERA. Smith threw an impressive 52 strikeouts and had a 1.74 ERA.

At the plate, first baseman Anna Bauer will be the top returning offensive threat for San Luis Obispo as she batted .252 with 19 RBI. The sophomore also led the team last season in the long-ball department with three homers.

For the Gauchos, hitting could be the deciding factor as UCSB struggled at the plate in its last two games, combining for only six hits and one run.

"I think that [the game against Northridge] helped us figure out our strong and weak points," said senior pitcher Stacey Atwood.

Junior catcher/utility Michelle Ray will look to continue her hot hitting as she is batting .500 with one double and the team's only RBI so far this season.

# ROAD

Continued from p.12  
season, the road has not been as kind to the Gauchos, who have a 4-4 mark away from home and are only 1-3 outside California.

Santa Barbara must stop the inside play of Anita Maxwell in order to win. The senior forward is the two-time defending Big West Player of the Year as well as Freshman of the Year from 1992-93. Maxwell leads the conference in scoring by posting an impressive 22.6-point average.

The UCSB women's water polo team makes its intercollegiate debut Saturday at noon against USC in Campus Pool. The squad, which had competed at the club sports level, is looking to start off on a good note against the Women of Troy.

The Gaucho men's tennis squad will host the University of Nevada, Reno today at 1:30 p.m. The netters will also take to the courts Sunday

against the University of Oregon at the same time.

The Santa Barbara men's and women's swimming and diving squads will be in action Saturday at UC Irvine at noon. The meet will be the last regular-season competition for both squads before the Cal State and Big West tournaments.

The UCSB women's gymnastics team will travel north to compete against UC Davis tonight

at 7:30. The Gauchos hope to rebound from a tough defeat by Cal State Fullerton last weekend.

Campus Track will be the site of the Gaucho men's and women's track and field teams' first track meet of the year as they host Azusa Pacific University and Westmont College at 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

—Compiled by Brian Berger

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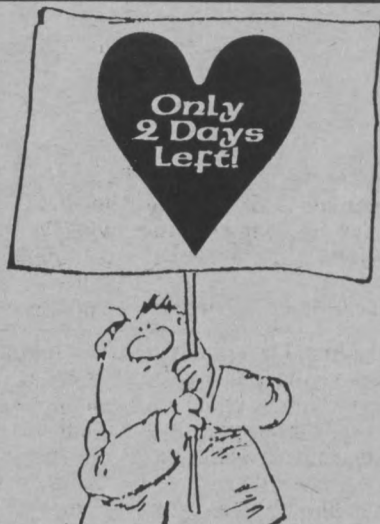
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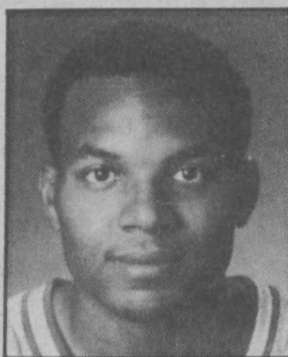
## Game Slips Through UCSB's Hands in 60-59 Home Defeat

■ Traveling Call Takes Away Wallace Dunk, Gaucho Lead

By Michael Cadilli  
Staff Writer

As the Gauchos were fishing for their eighth conference win Thursday night against the New Mexico State Aggies, it became the story of the one that got away.

Up 59-58 when UCSB senior forward Mark Flick canned a three with 1:07 left on the clock, sophomore forward Kealon Wallace shortly after took a



Lelan McDougal

long pass from senior guard Lelan McDougal on a breakaway and apparently slammed home the game-winning basket in front of 4,102 Thunderdome fans who were on their feet.

However, as fate would have it, the referee called a traveling violation on Wallace, wiping out a Santa Barbara three-point lead and giving NMSU a 60-59 victory after Enoch Davis made two free throws to put the game in hand.

"We don't get that call [against us] and Kealon gets that layup — the game's pretty much over. But [the referees] made the traveling call and that changed the whole outlook of the game," McDougal said.

The Gauchos (10-10 overall, 7-5 in the Big West) actually had a chance to take the lead later with 12 seconds left in the game as UCSB set up an opportunity for Flick to hit a three. However, the shot rang off the iron, and so did senior guard Dance Prince's desperation half-court attempt as time ran out on Santa Barbara.

"We set up a two-up play that I ended up getting open for on the top of the key," Flick said. "It wasn't designed for me, but for whoever was open and I happened to be open. I thought the shot was down, but it just didn't go down."

New Mexico State (8-12, 5-7) played tough on both sides of the ball, forcing 17 Gaucho turnovers, and shot .438 from behind the three-point line. However, even as the Aggies led by five with less than two minutes to play, UCSB (only .411 percent shooting on the night) managed to stay in the game as Prince buried a trey to cut the lead to 56-58.

"We've been doing that all year — we've been staying in games," said Flick

about a UCSB squad that has had eight games this season settled by five points or fewer. "I think this team has a lot of heart. We don't give up and we showed that tonight. It just didn't come through for us tonight. We'll have to go get 'em on Saturday."

Santa Barbara hosts the UNLV Runnin' Rebels on Saturday in the T-Dome at 7:30 p.m. for the last-ever Big West matchup between the two teams because of Vegas moving into the Western Athletic Conference next year.

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## Second Half of Game Has Better Action

By Chris Oyama  
Staff Writer

I saw two basketball games Thursday night. One was boring, had no energy and could best be summed up in one word — yaaawwnn. The other was fast-paced, filled with drama, suspense and came down to a nail-biting finish.

Actually, it was the same game, only different halves.

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## Gauchos Hope to Rebound From Near Loss to Beat UNLV, NMSU

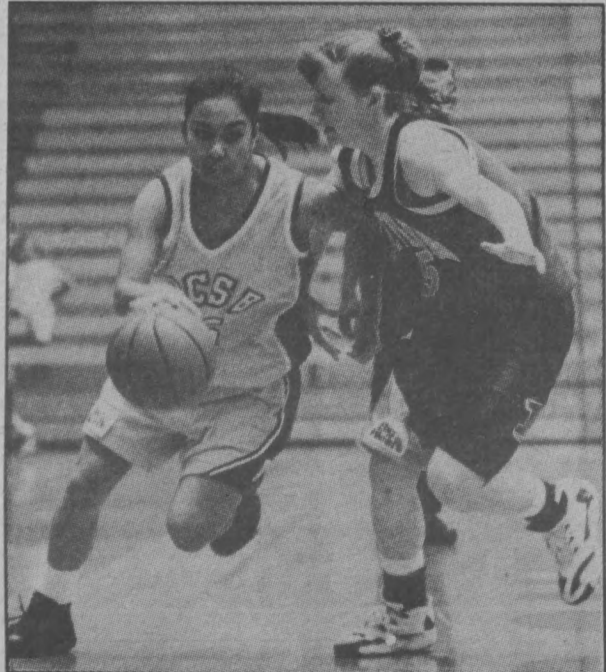
By Brian Berger  
Staff Writer

The UCSB women's basketball team faces two interesting challenges this weekend.

The first is the team must bounce back from its double-overtime victory over the lowly Cal State Fullerton Titans and compete at the level of play that

has guided them to a 14-5 overall record and an 11-1 Big West conference mark. The second is to somehow stay focused tonight against a depleted UNLV squad and then find a way to stop Anita Maxwell and New Mexico State on Sunday.

The Gauchos' road trip begins tonight at 7:30 in Las Vegas against the Lady Rebels (3-15 overall, 2-9).



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**DRIBBLE DRIVE:** UCSB hopes to down the lowly UNLV squad and tough NMSU team on the road.

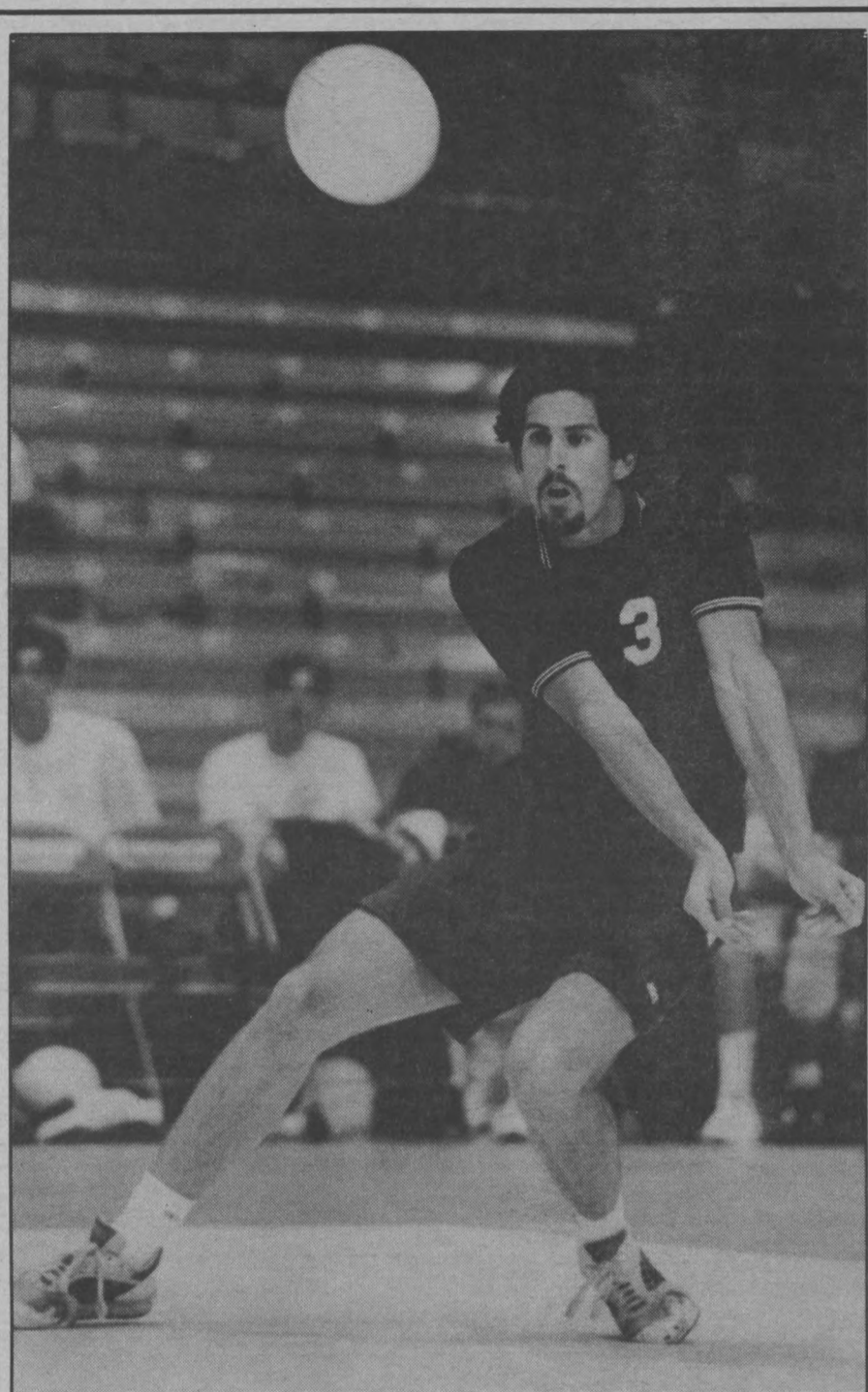
However, the school located in the City of Lights has fallen on dark times.

Aside from its dismal record, UNLV has been decimated by injuries, which have thinned the club down to only five active players for tonight's game. On top of the lack of depth, Head Coach Jim Bolla resigned Thursday, creating a void on the Rebel sideline and proving there is no silver lining for the squad from the silver state.

"We're pretty much in a focused mode right now about not taking anyone for granted," said UCSB Head Coach Mark French. "I think that we are really fortunate to have five of our last seven games on the road to be able to hone the ability to play really well together and to control what goes on in the flow of the game, because we're not playing the Big West Tournament [in Santa Barbara]."

The Gauchos will travel to Las Cruces, N.M., Sunday to take on New Mexico State (13-8, 8-3) in the Pan American Center at 2 p.m. Although UCSB defeated the Roadrunners 72-53 in the Thunderdome the last time they met this

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**ROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD:** UCSB senior setter Todd Rogers will lead the #2 Gauchos into battle against #1 Hawai'i on Saturday in Rob Gym.

## Santa Barbara Will Host #1 Hawai'i Rainbows Saturday

### The Two Best Teams in the Land

By Jenny Kok  
Staff Writer

After earning its first win over the #4 UCLA Bruins since 1988 last Saturday, the #2 UCSB men's volleyball team appears to be ready for what could be its biggest challenge of the season.

The Gauchos (4-1 overall, 4-0 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation) will take on #1 University of Hawai'i (5-0 overall, 2-0 MPSF) Saturday at 6 p.m. in Rob Gym, in an early league match that could set the tone for the rest of the season.

Momentum from its win over the defending national champion could play an important role for Santa Barbara, but according to UCSB Head Coach Ken Preston and senior middle blocker Amaury Velasco, the Gauchos have put the UCLA win behind them.

"It's time to move on," Preston said. "This league is so tough that we have to take it one game at a time. The win over the Bruins was nice, but it is way behind us."

"Really, the win was not that big," Velasco said. "It was important, but there are still other tough games in the future — Hawai'i, Stanford, USC, Long Beach. We need to win 20 matches like this. Our goal is to win our side of the league, but it's a long year and anything can happen."

Easy is one thing this matchup won't be. The Rainbows come to Santa Barbara boasting the offensive firepower of last year's NCAA Freshman of the Year Yuval Katz. Katz, averaging 6.6 kills per

game, will continue to be a factor at the serving position as he averages .9 ace per game.

"One of the most important things we'll need to do is receive the serve," Preston said. "Hawai'i has the toughest servers in the league. We need to keep the ball on our side of the net and get some good swings."

Either Erik Pichel or Kurt Vaughan will be leading the Rainbow attack. Pichel will most likely start the match — he dishes out 18 assists per game and leads the defense by averaging 2.4 digs. At the net, middle blocker Sivan Leoni leads the way by putting up 1.7 blocks per game.

UCSB junior outside hitter Donny Harris continues to lead the offense with 7.053 kills per game despite his dismal performance in the victory over the Bruins. Sophomore Jeremy Damer's improving offense will also be a force in the Santa Barbara attack.

Junior middle blocker Robert Treahy continues to lead the team at the net with 1.65 bpg and adds 4.65 kpg. Defensively, senior outside hitter Morgan Chapman produces 2.842 digs per game while senior setter Todd Rogers adds 2.5 as he leads the attack by setting up 18.45 assists a game.

"We know what to expect," Preston said. "We need to be really on to win this one. We know Katz is going to get a lot of kills, but if we can neutralize the rest of their hitters and run our offense well, this could be a great match."