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Enjoy the meal and your all-too-short respite from class! Celebrate and gather your strength for upcoming finals!

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We Didn't Start the Fire

Moby Dick Restaurant was one of four structures that fell victim to last Wednesday's fire on Stearns Wharf — the oldest working California pier at 126 years old. After the Santa Barbara City Fire Dept. combatted flames for approximately 20 hours, the city's maintenance crews, along with private contractors, tore down the structures and cleared debris for the following three days. The remaining businesses officially reopened last Friday.

Transport for Drinkers Rolls Back Into Town

BY ORLY ZELTA
Reporter

Downtown bars will soon be accessible for Isla Vistans who have thrown a few back and need a sober ride to or from State Street.

Bill's Bus, a program that has transported local residents between downtown Santa Barbara and Isla Vista for the last six years, will resume operation in January after a period of hiatus. Pick-up will be at the Isla Vista Beer Company, where a round-trip ticket can be purchased for \$5. The bus will make several trips to accommodate as many people as possible, according to program creator Bill Singer.

"I used to work at a bar and saw that a program like this was needed. All my friends were drinking and driving. The fact is the city bus does not run at night," he said. "After a motorcycle accident, I decided to actually take initiative. The goal is to make it affordable, comfortable and allow people to have safe fun."

The bus is not a profit-seeking business, and it creates large overhead in the form of insurance, drivers and maintenance. Many local restaurants and bars sponsor the program, as well as KJEE 92.9 FM. According to Legends Cocktail Lounge manager Terry Conway, the program benefits businesses as well as passengers.

"Bill should bring this program

back," he said. "It brought in many customers who otherwise would probably drink and walk around Isla Vista."

Singer said personal problems, which involved the passing away of his younger brother, made it difficult to keep the program running on a regular basis.

"I tried to provide the service during all the major events, like graduation and Halloween," he said.

According to Singer, disturbances on the bus have thus far been manageable.

"It seemed to go very well," he said. "I have not had to deal with any horrible situation. Twenty-first birthday people are rowdy, but that is the worst it gets."

The I.V. Foot Patrol is supportive of the service, as long as it gets people to think responsibly and prevents drunken driving, according to IVFP Deputy Mark Ward.

"I am ambivalent about it," he said. "It can come with trouble if fights occur on the bus. It is great if it gets people not to drink and drive."

Senior film studies and communication major Lara Alexander, who has worked the door for several bars, said that a number of people take advantage of the bus.

"It rocks," she said. "It saved a lot of people from drunk driving. It sucks it is not running now; I know a lot of people who unfortunately drive drunk."

SAE Musters to Help Needy for Holidays

With the onset of the holiday season, the spirit of giving returns — even to Isla Vista.

This year Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity held its first annual Thanksgiving Canned Food Drive on Nov. 16-23. The goal was to raise food in the greek system and then donate it to needy families, with help from the local chapter of the Salvation Army, according to SAE President Morgan Lutes.

"The event is geared primarily toward the greek system, but all donations are welcome," he said.

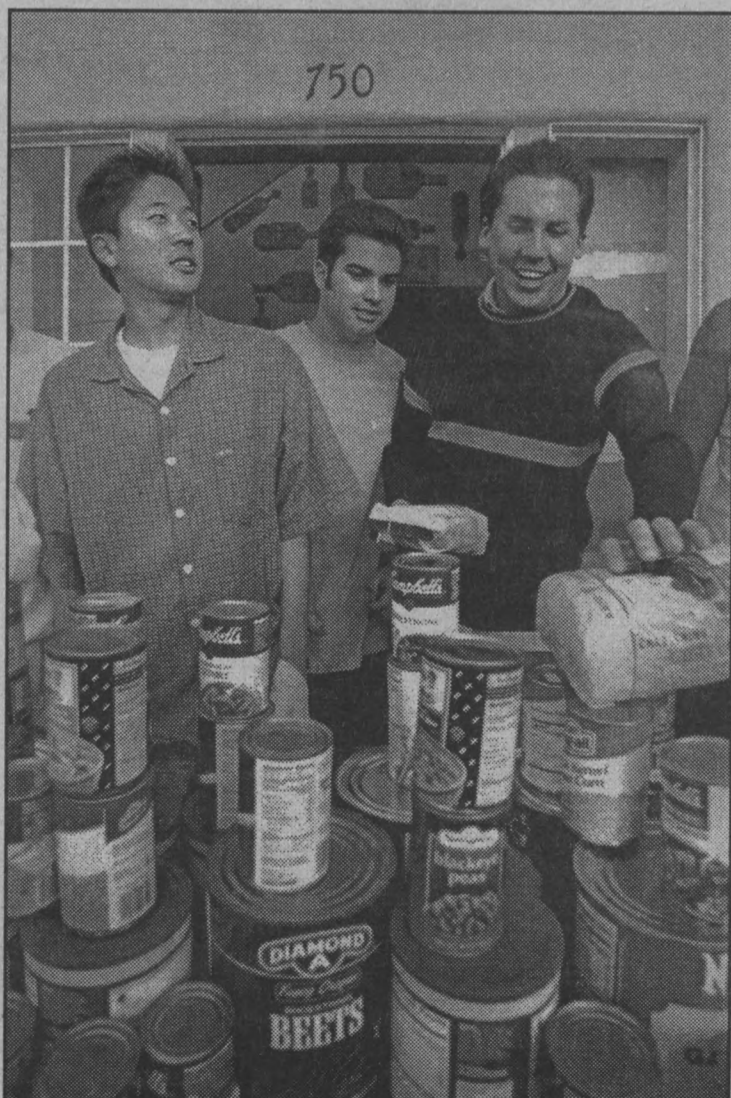
According to Lutes, the beneficiaries of this event are the truly needy and those who are down on their luck.

"We're happy to help those who are less fortunate than ourselves," he said. "We're hopeful that our donations will fill some stomachs."

According to Lutes, although the final count hasn't come in, SAE is hoping for at least a 500-can donation. The top three donors were the Alpha Delta Pi, Delta Gamma and Kappa Kappa Gamma sororities, he added.

"We have about 150 cans [already] and about 200 or so that we haven't picked up," Lutes said. "If we're shy, we may donate cans to reach our goal."

According to Ian Robinson, executive director of the Salvation Army's Goleta Office, the need for



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SAE public relations manager Wilbur Kim, member Jim Mulhearn and President Morgan Lutes (left to right) gaze in pride at a mountain of donation results in front of the SAE fraternity house.

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This Week in UCSB History



Who Needs a Shelter When You've Got a UCen?
November 27, 1985

An increasing number of more than 200 homeless who wander through Isla Vista streets and parks are becoming a familiar sight in the television lounge of the UCen.

"Every few days I come up here [to the UCen] more or less to relax," said John Bello, one of the homeless.

According to I.V. Parks and Recreation Dept. General Manager Glen Lazof, many homeless men are on the streets as a result of legislation signed by former California Gov. Ronald Reagan.

This legislation dismissed patients from mental institutions when they were no longer violent threats to the community. Some of these men cannot support themselves, and others are Vietnam veterans, he said.

However, state laws also prohibit vagrancy, Lazof said.

"Some people have things they want to hide, they think they might get in trouble," Bello said. "I normally do as little as possible; I work if I want something."

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Top of the News

Reno Dismisses Charges That Gore Lied



WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno concluded Tuesday there is "clear and convincing evidence" Vice President Al Gore did not lie to campaign finance investigators, and she declined to order further investigation by an independent counsel.

"The evidence fails to provide any reasonable basis for a conclusion that the Vice President may have lied," Reno advised a special court. "There are no reasonable grounds to believe that further investigation is warranted" into an allegation that Gore lied to Justice Dept. investigators last year about how a Democratic media fund was financed.

It was the second time in a year that Reno refused to have an outside prosecutor examine Gore over his telephone fund raising or what he said about it. For Gore, it removed a potential obstacle to his ambition to run for president in 2000.

White House spokesperson Joe Lockhart said President Clinton "believes the vice president has always acted within the letter and

I find by clear and convincing evidence that the Vice President did not lie.

— Janet Reno
Attorney General

the spirit of the law." Gore spokesperson Christopher Lehane said, "The vice president is pleased." Republicans were not.

"Once again, the Attorney General has failed to follow the law," said Rep. Dan Burton (R-Ind). "For the past two years, the attorney general has made it clear she is committed to protecting the president." Burton faulted her for rejecting the advice of FBI Director Louis J. Freeh to order an independent counsel, which Freeh has been advocating for more than a year.

Reno vowed her

120-member campaign finance task force would continue the investigation that has already charged 14 people, including prominent Democratic donors and fund-raisers.

"Today's determination

does not mean that our work has ended," Reno stated. "We will continue to vigorously investigate all allegations of illegal activity."

Indeed, she is in the midst of 90-day preliminary inquiries about President Clinton and his former deputy White House chief of staff, Harold Ickes. She must decide within two weeks whether independent counsels are needed to continue those probes.

This inquiry into Gore began in July when his counsel turned over notes by Gore's former deputy chief of staff, David Strauss, ab-

out a Nov. 21, 1995 meeting that Gore attended.

The notation "65% soft/35% hard" called into question whether Gore knew that some of the money in a Democratic media fund for issue advertisements was coming from so-called hard money, which can be used to promote specific candidates but which cannot be raised on federal property.

Gore had told investigators last year he believed his office telephone calls were soliciting only soft money, which can be used for issue ads or general purposes.

This "weak, circumstantial evidence" is not sufficient to prove beyond reasonable doubt that Gore knew as he made the telephone calls that the media fund had a hard money component, Reno concluded. Indeed, she wrote, "I find by clear and convincing evidence that the Vice President did not lie."

College Party Leads to Manslaughter; Athletes Involved



RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — It began with a raucous house party that ran into Sunday morning. Then a shot was fired at the house and a bullet fragment hit someone inside.

Police said a crowd of students — mostly wrestlers and football players — stormed the gunman's house seeking "street justice." When the fighting ended, the gunman was dead, killed when his 9 mm pistol went off in the struggle.

Ten people, including nine athletes at North Carolina State, face charges.

"It was crazy for him to shoot," said junior Pate Pierce, as he crossed a main street on the campus. "It was crazy for them to go beat on him. Alcohol was the main thing."

Raleigh police said Neil Davis Jr., 21, of Fayetteville was killed early Sunday after firing several rounds from a pistol at a group of people attending a party across the street.

One slug hit the front door of the house where the party was taking place and a fragment struck a university wrestler, slightly injuring him. The shooting prompted seven partygoers, including five athletes, to storm Davis' house.

Police said the invaders punched and kicked Davis even after his gun fired. The football players and the wrestlers were suspended.

A day later, three female members of the university's gymnastics team were charged with selling beer to underage guests at the party.

One wrestler, Clyde Williams Blunt, 20, of Modesto, Calif., was charged with involuntary manslaughter. Three football players were charged with misdemeanor breaking and entering and misdemeanor assault. Three other people, including another wrestler, were charged with misdemeanor breaking and entering.

"Everybody here feels it has put a gray cloud over athletics," said Alan Hart, a junior and general manager of the campus newspaper, *Technician*.

AP WIRE SHORTS

• **PALM HARBOR, Fla. (AP)** — A 77-year-old man with a habit of sleepwalking awoke to find himself up to his armpits in alligators.

James Currens wandered behind his home early Monday and stumbled into a pond. He woke up in several feet of water, his legs stuck in the mud.

He said quite a few alligators, some longer than 3 feet, came around. Currens said he poked at them with his cane to try to keep them away.

A neighbor heard him yelling and called police, who used lights to scare off the gators and freed Currens.

The retired maintenance supervisor suffered only minor cuts on his legs and arms from the fall.

• **ORANGE, Calif. (AP)** — And they said it wouldn't last.

Ten days after their Las Vegas wedding, Dennis Rodman and Carmen Electra have split — skipping the marriage counseling and going right to the lawyers.

The Chicago Bulls star married the former "Baywatch" actress on Nov. 14, but filed papers Monday seeking an annulment, citing fraud and unsound mind.

Gerry Phillips, the lawyer who filed Rodman's petition, said Monday that the couple married at 7 a.m. after being out partying, and separated the same day without seeing one another since.

Rodman "didn't have all his faculties about him" at the time of the wedding, the lawyer said.

Electra's publicist denied that her client took advantage of Rodman, as his agent claimed two days after the wedding. However, spokesperson Cindy Guagenti did acknowledge the marriage had unraveled.

"Carmen and Dennis spoke several days ago and mutually agreed (to end the marriage)," Guagenti said.

The 37-year-old rebounding champion, sidelined by the NBA labor dispute, is ready to play ball again.

• **WASHINGTON (AP)** — His hand on snowy-white feathers, President Clinton spared Tom Turkey from the roaster and sent him to Frying Pan Park "to live out the remainder of his years surrounded by friends, not peas and sweet potatoes." The president kicked off the holiday season Tuesday with the traditional turkey pardon, where the guest of honor — a 45-pounder bred in Swanville, Minn. — freely strutted the Rose Garden with an official red "Appointment" credential dangling from his neck.

"I must say of all the years I've been here this is the most adventurous turkey we've ever had," Clinton told an audience of children from the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington. As the bird made his way to the rear press pen, Clinton urged reporters, "Just ask HIM your questions."

Tom, which has been a common name for national turkeys, was selected for his "appearance and demeanor," according to a White House briefing paper. Tom will be sent to the petting zoo at Frying Pan Park in Fairfax, Va.

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Weather

It's Thanksgiving again!

Time for love, unity, yams, wine, pumpkin pie and yes, more wine. I tell you, there's nothing like watching grandma getting loaded off Martini and Rossi. But there are many out there who are no longer with us to enjoy such togetherness — our turkeys. Well, OK, literally they're still with us ... they're on the table, ha!

Seriously though, if you'd like to save a turkey from getting massacred next year, you can call the Farm Sanctuary Adopt-a-Turkey Service at (607) 583-2225. For the low, low price of \$15, you can get an authentic adoption certificate complete with a photo and short biography. Come on now, that's cheaper than a few cents a day!

Now, don't worry about this year's turkeys ... their spirits live on! I guess you can say there's a little piece of them in all of us ... well, if not now, there will be tomorrow! Happy Thanksgiving!

Today's weather: Cool for us, about 350 degrees for others, if you know what I mean.

FOOD

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 donations is always high, and all contributions are helpful.
 "Whatever they donate is always a big help. We use

food year 'round; it is always being distributed," he said. "We've collected more food than usual [this year], but it's never enough. We can always use more. There is a great need out there."
 Robinson said there are

many people who need the Salvation Army's aid for the first time this year.
 "Seventy-five percent of the people who applied for help have applied for the first time. I thought that there were more people who

applied year after year," he said.
 The Salvation Army Hospitality House welcomes donations and can be reached at 684-6999.

— Brent Hubbard

HISTORY

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OK, Who Farted?
 November 26, 1985

As a result of ongoing complaints about the strong sulfurous-smelling odor that periodically permeates the air around campus, the UCSB Environmental Health and Safety Dept. has initiated a two-pronged study to locate the sources of the smell.

Although the study is "primarily a campus study," conducted independent of the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District, "the results will be reported to the APCD," said Jeff Chung, interim environmental health and safety manager.

Chung said it should take less than two weeks to produce definite results from the study, which includes both an odor report hotline and examinations of air samples.

There are not many source possibilities for such petroleum-related odors, Chung said. They include the Atlantic Richfield drilling platform Holly at Coal Oil Point, which may be the source of an October odor that forced one instructor to relocate a class from Girvetz Hall. The proximity of the platform to campus makes it possible for onshore winds to carry odors onto campus, Chung said.

My, How Times Have Changed
 November 21, 1988

Protests concerning the university's perceived delay in

adopting an ethnic studies requirement voiced at Thursday's Academic Senate meeting were directed toward the wrong organization, according to English professor and Academic Senate member William Marks.

Approximately 70 students attended the senate meeting to express concerns over the ethnic studies requirement, although the faculty legislature voted last Spring Quarter to support the program and has since been trying to clarify details of the proposal.

Last Monday, Academic Senate Chair Elliot Brownlee sent a memo to executive committees of the colleges of Engineering and Letters and Science regarding the ethnicity requirement. He wrote that "the executive committee of the faculty legislature hopes that the campus will be able to move forward rapidly in considering the issue, and that an Ethnicity Requirement will be in place for the 1988-90 academic years." Before the ethnicity requirement could be discussed formally, senior Robert McDonald disrupted the agenda by speaking out of order, prompting Brownlee to adjourn the session early. At the meeting, McDonald said, "I realize that I'm out of order, but the whole system is out of order."

Brownlee described the incident as "an attempt to take over the faculty legislature meeting by shouting down the chair and attempting to replace him." After the adjournment, the majority of senate members left, although some remained to engage in an informal discussion with the students.

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Aries (March 21-April 19)—Today is a 7—If you're not in a committed relationship already, let a friend set you up with a friend for a date. It could be a winning combination. If you do have a mate, you and your friends need to double-date. There's something about friends of friends that's a natural combination right now.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)—Today is a 5—Indications are strong for a move, especially concerning a loved one. It looks like you're finishing up a phase in your relationship, and starting a new one, closer to what you had in mind all along. It is going to take some work at first, but that's all right. This initial challenge is only going to make you stronger.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)—Today is a 6—You and your partner could get into a fascinating conversation. There are difficult subjects to discuss, but now is an excellent time for it. To make sure the other person heard what you said, ask that your words be repeated back to you, and do the same yourself. This will help you to understand each other better, so it's worth the effort.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)—Today is a 5—You may feel like talking about money today, especially in a work setting. Perhaps it's time for your next raise or promotion. You should be emboldened by the conditions in effect, so talk to someone who can do something about it. Be sure to bring up something you did in the past that was valuable to the other person.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is a 7—A partner wants to take control. You, of course, should be in control in all situations. Well, let's put it a different way. You're so powerful that it's natural that people look to you for leadership. If you think of it like that, you can gracefully acquiesce and let the other guy have a turn at leadership for a while.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 5—The challenge you're facing now has to do with cleaning up messes. They seem to be everywhere. Maybe your lesson for today is to relax. You don't have to do it all by yourself. Some of it isn't even your problem. You'll be overwhelmed if you try to do everything for everybody. Chill out and let some of them fend for themselves.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is a 7—Romance looks good again today, with the possibility of a commitment. You and your friend seem to be dancing around the idea. There's just one thing you lack, a long-term goal you can share. Once you've decided on that, just about anything is possible. Don't let your experience of a previous relationship get in the way.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 5—There's a flurry of activity in your little nest as you try to get everything just perfect. You like to plan things so that nothing can go wrong, and that's not impossible. There may be a few glitches today, but don't let them rattle you. Instead, let them guide you to put in corrections so everything goes flawlessly tomorrow.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is a 7—There could be a revolution in your thinking today, possibly from something you've read, but more likely from something you've done or someone you love, or both. Communication is involved, and a misunderstanding, but you can clear that up. Leave the door open for possibilities.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Today is a 5—You need to make your penies stretch as far as possible. That's going to be a challenge, but you love challenges. Challenge is your middle name. Actually, if you could just admit that you love to have things be difficult, you'll have a great time while you're at it. And you'll do a better job with your money today, too.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is a 7—You should be in the mood to take bold action today, and so is everybody else. You can't solve all the problems ahead of time. More will pop up as you go along anyway, so don't worry about that. Instead, get a group of people you can trust to work with you. Things will go much more quickly.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)—Today is a 5—You're quite insightful today. Use this acumen to get around a bureaucratic tangle. There are details to figure out before you get what you want. Of course, you're probably not thinking in terms of what you want, but what everybody else wants. But those details are still in the way. Persevere and do the homework. That's the lesson for today.

Today's Birthday (Nov. 25). You'll be delving into the past this year as you make your plans for the future. Start playing the game in November and December by gathering your thoughts together. You might get the information you need by taking a class in a subject you've long thought about. You'll become an expert quickly because you have a natural talent. By February, you'll have the evidence you need to present your philosophy to the public. March looks like a good time to work on your house, or to move, and to spend time with family. April could be stressful, but once you get an old problem solved, you'll be on to all sorts of new endeavors. The problem involves your children or a close loved one, and work is required. Travel looks good in August, and that's a good time to take on a new role, also. In September, you'll push boldly to complete an old part of your career, and get into something a little different and a little more exciting.

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Opinion

STAFF EDITORIAL

CAC Needs to Shape Up

I.V.'s Only Semi-Powerful Governing Body Is Not Working Up to Its Potential and Needs Reform

Isla Vista is in the difficult, but not so unique, situation of not having any specific governing body because it is not incorporated. The best that Isla Vistas can do is try to have a voice heard by 3rd District Supervisor Gail Marshall and the rest of the board of supervisors. Giving I.V. a voice has been delegated to a group that has the capacity to advise Marshall and create action about the problems that are relevant to citizens of I.V.

The Community Advisory Committee is supposed to be the group that represents I.V. to the rest of the county. This power could have a major effect on the way that I.V. is treated and whether the major needs of the community are met.

The CAC has thus far not utilized any of these powers to create change for the better in I.V. The disorganized meetings do not do anything to improve the quality of living, or even suggest ways to go about instituting any ideas that are suggested.

The lack of parliamentary procedure in running the meetings makes it hard for anything to be accomplished or even discussed. What could be a place to turn ideas into action is more of a battleground for confused citizens and even more confused board members. This is a travesty to the citizens of I.V. because of the CAC's potential and the fact that it is the only resource with such potential power.

The reason that the CAC has not succeeded in much since the committee's year began is not for lack of topics, but for a lack of a stance on any issues. When the group is assembled, it has no order, which makes any decision making near impossible.

A main reason why the group has difficulty discuss-

ing the issues is because it does not get input from most of the community. Students do not see the importance of the committee because it is not well-advertised.

The CAC carries potential that it is now becoming aware of but cannot use without a stronger organization and agenda. As the only semiofficial governing body in I.V., it has a responsibility to make the voice of I.V. heard to a board of supervisors who have an entire county to think about.

Structure and parliamentary procedure are two easy steps the CAC could take to pull together and make a group of people who work together and activate the changes that are needed. This idea is not exactly brain surgery. The chair simply needs to take control and hold the meeting to the standards of every other public meeting, as outlined in the Brown Act.

Possibly some training could be in order, where the board members learn how a meeting should go, and then act on that accordingly. Without a respect of the procedure for a meeting, nothing can be accomplished. When five people are talking at the same time, it is hard to get things done.

In many meetings, the chair of the meeting does not get a vote, and therefore withholds opinion and is better able to maintain objective control of a meeting. While it may not be necessary for the chair of the CAC to withhold all judgment, someone to take control of the meetings is a definite must.

The CAC has power that no other group in I.V. has, and since these people are appointed — not elected — they need to pull together. Maybe Gail Marshall should reexamine the people she appointed and start from scratch.

TA Strike Helps Undergrads

On Nov. 18, 1998, the ASE/UAW UCSB Strike Committee voted unanimously to call a strike of teaching assistants, tutors, readers and teaching associates on this campus. The failure of UC officials to recognize graduate student work as work and as an integral part of the undergraduate experience here at UCSB forced us to call this strike.

This was not an easy decision; we considered it our last option only after our previous efforts failed. We tried a two-day walkout in 1997, we tried letter-writing campaigns, grade-ins and rallies to bolster our cause.

We came to this decision as a reaffirmation of our members' vote in the spring of 1998 to strike in the fall. An overwhelming 83 percent voted yes for a strike in the fall, and at this time they also authorized the formation of a local strike committee to call a strike and facilitate its logistics. Through data gathered by face-to-face organizing, department meetings and open forums this fall, the Strike Committee determined that the action is warranted and that the level of academic student employee support on the UCSB campus is still strong.

We reflected upon the very real fears of any strike: That is, how would subtle forms of retaliation and pay docking affect our membership? However, we were more concerned about the continuing exploitation of graduate student goodwill and labor and its effect upon undergraduate education.

To the degree that graduate students are overworked, undergraduates are undertaught. Our membership firmly believes that the undergraduates deserve the superior education upon which the UC rests its reputation.

There are a myriad of reasons to strike. Academic student employees at the other seven UC campuses have voted to strike simultaneously, thereby staging the largest such strike. We are supported by such diverse bodies as the undergraduate student government at UCSB (Associated Students), many of the faculty here at UCSB and the nationally renowned American Association of University Professors.

UCSB A.S. recently passed a resolution that supported our right to unionize while stating they will hold the administration responsible for any denial of services as a result of the strike. There is also a groundswell of support from the departments of Chicano Studies, Sociology, Women's Studies and History.

"We will not perform the work of teaching assistants or associates who are on strike in support of their legal right to unionize." UCSB Sociology Dept., Nov. 20, 1998.

"The faculty of the History Department ... will not allow a graduate student's participation in any ... strike ... to have any repercussions immediately or in the future in Departmental decisions regarding teaching appointments, fellowships awards, or any other ... decisions." UCSB History Dept., Nov. 4, 1998.

Nationally, the American Association of University Professors voted in November to support the right of graduate students to choose union and engage in collective bargaining. They even alluded to us by name:

"The AAUP's affirmation of support comes at a time when graduate students throughout the country are attempting to gain recognition for their right to bargain. Thousands of

graduate teaching assistants at the University of California system are threatening to strike, if such a strike occurs, it would be the biggest ever held by graduate students." AAUP, Nov. 14-15, 1998.

Union activism has already done a great deal for academic student employees systemwide. For example, our paid health insurance was awarded only after the Berkeley union strike in 1989. Could RECOGNITION OF OUR RIGHT TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING be far behind if EVERY campus decides to strike at the same time?

We believe that the risks taken by each striking employee are outweighed by the urgency of striking NOW, while we have such overwhelming support from so many quarters. We realize that the decision to strike is a painful and personal one. However, if we stick together on this, we can affect our future working conditions and ultimately the future learning conditions of the undergraduates.

We encourage the campus community (undergraduates, faculty, staff, unionized workers) to write and call Henry Yang, the UCSB chancellor, 5221 Cheadle Hall, UC Santa Barbara, CA, 93106 (805-893-2231), and Richard Atkinson, the UC president, 1111 Franklin St., 12th Floor, Oakland, CA, 94607 (510-987-9074) to tell them that this strike is totally AVOIDABLE by immediately recognizing our union.

The ASE/UAW UCSB Strike Committee represents TAs on campus.

Help With the Strike

GLYN HUGHES

As many Nexus readers already know, in coordination with all other UC campuses, UCSB's TAs, readers, tutors and teaching associates will strike this quarter in the hope of gaining recognition for their union, the Associated Student Employees/UAW (ASE). This action follows years of other attempts by the unions to simply open up talks with the UC administration.

Last week, after our Strike Committee announced the strike — which it was authorized to do last spring by over 500 union members — a friend of mine commented that he could never go on strike because he cares about the undergraduates too much. This is not a new sentiment, but as a committed teacher and union organizer, I found it frustrating and insulting.

The truth is that many ASE members are striking because they care deeply about their students and because they know that improving teachers' working conditions improves students' learning conditions.

Student academic employees at UCSB who are overworked often must work long hours of unpaid overtime, to the detriment of our own studies, in order to provide students the interaction and feedback they deserve — or alternatively, we must cut corners in our teaching in order to keep up with our academic work. Student academic employees chronically face this unnecessary dilemma, and this is the foundation of many ASE members' activism.

Here at UCSB, the severity of the impending strike is nothing to take lightly, in part because it will involve grades; and certainly members (like myself) who are planning to participate are doing so with a full understanding of the strike's disruptive potential. We believe the long-term benefits of the strike outweigh the short-term sacrifices it will require.

When academic student employees are overworked, forced to work in substandard conditions and denied a meaningful voice in determining those conditions, undergraduates end up being undeserved. From my perspective, the university exploits the emotional commitment that TAs, readers, tutors and teaching associates have for undergraduate education, a commitment that has made the decision to strike a difficult one.

But it is also a decision that is supported by the undergraduates, whose interests are not served by paternalistic claims to the contrary. Consider, for example, language from the recent Associate Students Legislative Council resolution (passed by a margin of 19-0 with one abstention):

Let It Be Resolved That: The Associated Students Legislative Council hereby endorses the ASE/UAW's request for administrative recognition and collective bargaining rights and further endorses the Strike Committee's decision should it strike.

So here we are, forced to take drastic action against a university administration that so undervalues education that they are unwilling to dignify TAs, readers, tutors and teaching associates with employee status. Yet academic student employees are responsible for approximately 60 percent of the university's teaching load.

Moreover, because academic student employees tend to offer students the kind of one-on-one interaction that many professors don't have time to provide, we more often absorb the contradiction between the university's desire to be a world-class research institution (which means lower prioritization of teaching by professors and higher prioritization of research) and its need to be a teaching machine whose product is courses, grades and degrees.

So, yes, the impending strike ultimately does signal an insensitivity to undergraduate education, but it is hardly striking union members who are to blame. I hope that the campus community will rally behind the undergraduates themselves in supporting a unionization effort that has always foregrounded their interests and the educational mission of the university.

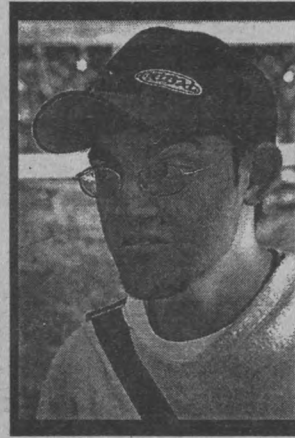
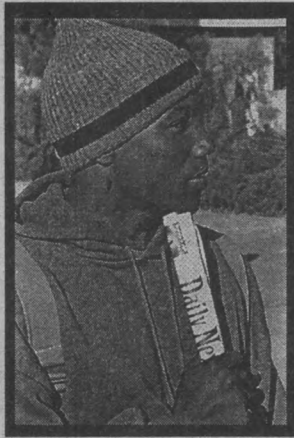
Instead, hold the UC administration accountable: Call or write to UC President Richard Atkinson at (510) 987-9074 or 1111 Franklin Street, 12th floor, Oakland, CA, 94607-5200.

Glyn Hughes is a teaching associate for Sociology 176A.

Campus Comment

Interviews by Nathan J. Woodside
Photos by Steve Hans

If you had one day to spend with Chancellor Yang, what would you do with him?



“ Discuss the ethnic/gender studies issue.

Alice Thompson
freshman
psychology

“ Take him to Kentucky Fried Chicken so he could have some soul food.

Aaron Carey
junior
black studies

“ Take him swing dancing.

Cristina Moore
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ecology and evolution

“ Dress him in a Batman suit and feed him Jell-O shots.

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senior
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“ Go smoke a bowl with him.

Ramon Montia
junior
electrical/computer
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“ Take him kayaking in the Channel Islands.

Malia Basche
sophomore
global and
international studies

HOOPS

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rent layup. But a charging call disallowed the basket, keeping the game tied. Less than a minute later, Ashe again drove the lane and scored, but the referees again called charging, giving the Pilots the ball. Two other times down the court

UCSB failed to score, as Portland went on a 7-0 run to virtually wrap up the game.

“We went four trips in a row with very good looks and we didn't score,” Williams said. “That was a turning point for us.”

Portland Head Coach Rob Chavez commented on the two foul calls that gave

Portland the chance to run away with the match.

“To be honest with you, I couldn't see from where I was,” he said. “It was that type of play that always gives a momentum change. We took advantage of it and responded.”

Leading Portland (3-1) was freshman guard Ryan Jones with 21 points, includ-

ing 2-5 from three-point land. Portland's top returning offensive player, junior Jason Franklin, who averaged 10.1 points per game last year, was held by UCSB to only 3 points.

“I thought we played well at times,” Chavez said. “I thought defensively Santa Barbara did a good job of pressuring us and forcing us

to take bad shots and turn the ball over.”

Despite the loss, Williams might have seen some progress in Tuesday's game to eventually get UCSB in the win column.

“Tonight I felt we were hitting on four of eight cylinders,” Williams said. “We couldn't get B.J. going inside, but I thought the per-

imeter guys on a whole were much better tonight.”

Santa Barbara will next face the Lions from Loyola Marymount Saturday night at 7 and then will have a week off to prepare for the USC Trojans next Friday night, Dec. 4 at 7:30. Both games will take place in the Thunderdome.

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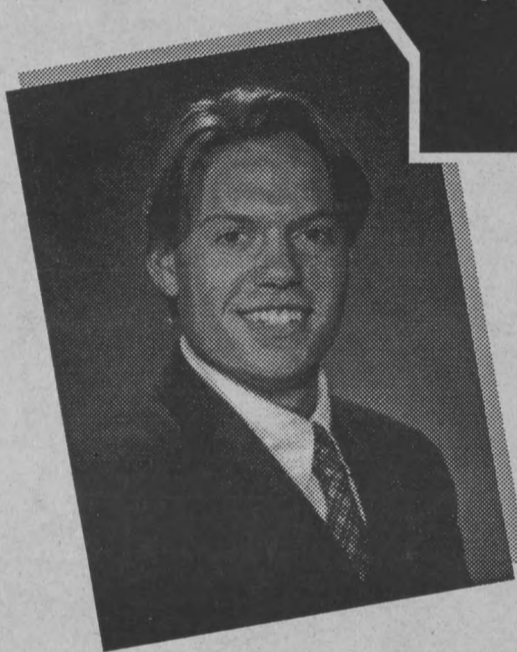
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Sports

Don't Hit Below the Belt

STEVE WENDT

Thank God for minor miracles; Evander Holyfield will finally get to beat the fish and chips out of heavyweight pretender Lennox Lewis.

These two have been bobbing and weaving from each other for two years without ever having stepped into the boxing ring. That will all change now that the pair have tentatively agreed to battle and unify Holyfield's WBA and IBF titles with Lewis' WBC belt.

Lewis is all hype (see Michael Spinks). Holyfield is past his prime but will still whoop on Lewis like a redheaded stepchild. It's pretty unlikely that Holyfield, one of the steeliest jaws in boxing history, is going to let some clown who sits down every day for tea-time knock him out ... get real.

The whole division could use a kick in the trunks though, especially when the biggest bout on the horizon looked to be a Larry Holmes-George Foreman Viagra-induced sword fight. Two 50-year-olds whose ears will be safe during the fight because all the Poli-Grip at Rite-Aid won't keep those dentures in their skulls.

The reason these two are getting in the ring again — beside the simple fact that they are delusional old meatheads — is that this pair came up in an era where boxers actually fought, at least more than once every two years. Ali fought Norton who fought Foreman who fought Frazier who fought Ali who fought Holmes; get the picture? Kicking ass in a rematch was better than dodging him and other good fighters to remain undefeated.

The best fights in the heavy-weight division over the past decade most likely involved Mike Tyson and his loving (and I mean loving) prison cellmates.

As for Tyson (the former Mr. Robin Givens), what a waste of talent. If this guy didn't get involved in the silly business of pro boxing, he could have been the best thug ever to roam the streets of the Bronx.

— Steve Wendt is the Daily Nexus sports editor and is a bleeder who keeps his left too low.

If you are around on Friday and Saturday night, the women's and men's basketball teams will be in the Thunderdome, playing at 7.

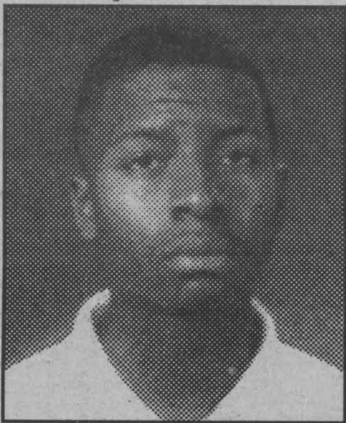
Gauchos Lights Turned Off in Practice, Game

BY MATT HURST
Staff Writer

Despite not practicing Monday night, the UCSB men's basketball team might have played its best game of the season Tuesday. UCSB scored a season-high 73 points but were still handed a defeat. This time it was at the hands of Portland.

The Gauchos (0-4 overall) couldn't practice in Portland due to a storm in the area that knocked out the power at the practice facilities. Winds up to 70 miles per hour caused the blackout and left UCSB two consecutive days without practicing.

"We didn't have a good practice at all yesterday," UCSB Head Coach Bob Williams said. "We ran up and down a dark floor and did a walk through, but we weren't able to work on some things that we need to improve on. This team will



Brandon Payton

get better and better with more practice and more playing, but it's tough when you miss a practice."

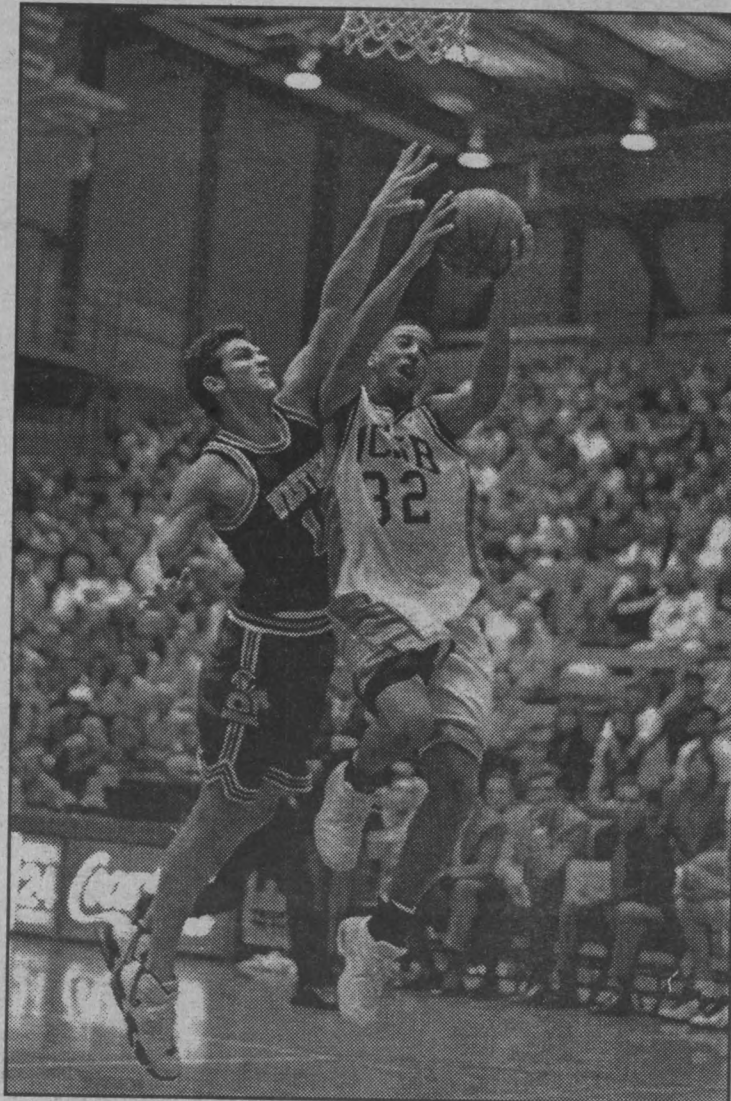
Santa Barbara didn't look like they had just missed a practice, hanging with the University of Portland for the entire game but eventually falling 78-73.

The Gauchos held leads of as many as five points in the first half and three in the second half, but they were unable to give Williams that elusive first victory at Santa Barbara.

Coming off the bench to lead the Gauchos was Brandon Payton who had a team-high 18 points. Payton missed his second consecutive start mainly because he went 0-6 in Saturday's loss to Westmont and was injured in his shooting arm on a pick by a Warrior player. But Payton might have played his best game in a Gaucho uniform Tuesday night, hitting his two three-point attempts and dishing out two assists.

"On Saturday, Brandon came in and felt like he needed to get us going," Williams said. "He took three quick shots and then hurt his arm. Tonight he played real well and I think he's going in the right direction."

Two of the top scorers on the team through the first three games were held to less-than-average performances. Senior B.J. Bunton, back in the starting lineup, had 15 points and pulled down 10 rebounds, but he was only 7-16 from the field, missing many inside



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CHARGE IT: Junior Erick Ashe is shown here charging the lane; his two charging fouls Tuesday night might have cost UCSB a victory.

shots. Also, junior Erick Ashe was a miserable 3-11 from the field with only nine points and a paltry 1-6 from behind the arc.

"We're not the type of team that can afford to have two of four of our best offensive players not scoring," Williams said. "We don't

have that many offensive weapons and we need them all working."

The turning point in the contest was with about five minutes left. The score was tied at 63 when Ashe drove the lane for an appa-

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UCSB Soccer Never Lost Pride in Defeats

Season in Review

BY DENNIS JENKINS
Reporter

Despite winning only two games all year, the UCSB men's soccer team fought hard to the very end of each game and the season. In every match, the Gauchos held their heads high and never gave up, no matter what the score.

No one can be satisfied with a 2-17-1 overall record, including a 0-8-1 mark in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation play. But no one can deny this year's soccer team its respect. After all, this was a team that broke the 1972 record for most goals in a match by torching Menlo College for 13 in the Gauchos' first victory of the season.

It was a team that nearly pulled off the biggest upset of the year as they gave #1 UCLA a scare, but eventually fell 3-2 on a last-minute goal.

"The amazing thing about this team is obviously the wins and the losses are not what we want as far as the season goes," UCSB Head Coach Mark Arya said. "But if you look at a team that is willing to work hard and continue to battle day in and day out up to the waning moments of your final game, that's an incredible attribute to the players as far as their desire and love for the game."

Santa Barbara played several close games but never seemed to have what it took to get the win. There were flashes of brilliance — like in Menlo — possibly signs of what is to come in the near future. This was a team consisting of only



Mark Mangiola

three seniors in Mark Mangiola, Aron Wellman — the team's leading point scorer — and Reza Zamani. The rest of the Gaucho team was young and still learning the ropes of Division I soccer. While other teams might have to rebuild for next year, UCSB will be returning with experienced players that should be coming into their prime. These players include junior goalkeeper Trent Ulicny who kept most every game close for UCSB; sophomore Lucas Dalglish who had a hat trick in one game; freshman Tate Travis, a starter all year

and second on the team in points; and sophomore Chris Schwandt, a co-captain this year and a solid defender.

"If you look at the group who played this year, they are a good group of guys," Mark Mangiola said of the returning players. "So hopefully next year they could get a couple of new guys and be successful."

With any luck, next year's Gaucho squad will not have to look far for new players to fill the shoes left by the departure of Zamani, Wellman and Mangiola. Steven Sosa and Sean Herrity should recover from the injuries that forced them to sit out most of the season, and they should make some solid contributions. Sosa, who was referred to by Arya as a "maestro" to soccer, missed the entire year with a leg injury. Herrity, the leading point scorer at the time of his injury, sat out most of the year due to an anterior cruciate ligament tear.

The future looks bright for this Gaucho squad, and next year UCSB will try to erase the nightmares of this season's 2-17-1 record.

Mangiola spoke on behalf of the three seniors when he said, "I'm thankful to be a part of this team. They're a good bunch of guys. You kind of take for granted the competition, the practice, and your teammates."

For Thanksgiving we're thankful that NCAA Basketball has started. This gives us basketball to watch while the NBA players and owners are busy arguing. So, until next week: **NBA Hate-Fest: DAY 23**