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.

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 food for holidays is "more in the forefront these days, as people don't have as much money."

"We didn't start it, but we're still going to help feed those who are hungry," Robinson said.

Transport for Drinkers

Rolls Back Into Town

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 Island 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," he said. "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 can be 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 prevent drunken driving, according to IVFDP 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 Lars 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 it."

According to Singer, the program currently has about 30 regulars. "Some people have things they want to hide, they drink they might not want something," he said.

Happy Thanksgiving

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno said Thursday there is "clear and convincing evidence" Vice President Al Gore did not lie to cam­
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The Salvation Army Hospitality House welcome donations and can be reached at 684-4999.

— Brent Hubbard

HISTORY

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OK, Who Farted?

November 23, 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 die 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.

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Ita Vista is in the difficult, but not so unique, situation of having any specific governing body because it is not incorporated. The best that Ita Vista can do is try to have a voice heard by the 3rd District Supervisor Gail Marshall and the rest of the board of supervisors. Giving Ita Vista 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 LV.

The Community Advisory Committee is supposed to be the group that represents Ita Vista to the rest of the county. This power could have a major effect on the way Ita Vista is treated, 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 Ita Vista. The disorganized meetings do not offer anything valuable to a group of citizens and even more confused board members. This is a travesty to die citizens of Ita Vista because of the CAC's potential and the fact that it is the only resource we have with such potential power.

The reason the CAC has not succeeded in much since the committee's year began is not for lack of top, middle, and bottom support. The point is that the CAC is not organized, that it has no order, which makes any decision making near impossible.

A main reason why the group has difficulty discussing the issues is because it does not get input from most of the community. Students are not interested in being members of the committee because it is not well-advertised. The CAC carries potential that it is now becoming aware of but cannot use without stronger organization and agenda. As the only semi-official governing body in Ita Vista, it has a responsibility to make the voice of Ita Vista 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.

Possible some training could be in order, or where the board members learn how a meeting should go, and then act on that accordingly. Without a respect for 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 holds opinion and is better able to maintain objective control of a meeting. Without a respected chair, he may not be necessary for the chair of the CAC to hold all judgment, someone to take control of the meetings is a definite must.

The CAC has power that no other group in Ita Vista has, and since these people have not organized, they do not need to pull together. Maybe Gail Marshall should maximize the people she appointed and start from scratch.

Help With the Strike

Glyn Hughes

As many News readers already know, in coordination with all other UC campuses, UCSB TAs, students, tutors and teaching assistants are attempting to gain 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 would never go on strike because he knew his associates were unionized. This is a lack of understanding, but as a committed teacher and union organizer, I found it frustrating and interesting.

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 part in order to keep up with our academic workload. 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 in order to keep grades up; and certainly members (like myself) who are planning to participate are doing so with a full understanding of the strike's potential to benefit 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 conditions, graduates, undergraduates end up being underestimated. From my perspective, the university exploits the emotional commitment that TAs, tutors, 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 undergraduate graduates, whose interests are not served by paternalistic claims to the contrary. Consider, for example, language from the recently adopted Legislative Council rule (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 proposal for administrative recognition and collective bargaining rights. It hereby further endorses the Strike Committee's decision to strike.

So here we are, forced to take drastic action against a university administration that so undereducates conditions that are unseemly to dignify TAs, students, 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 are forced to offer students the kind of one-on-one interaction that many professors don't have time to provide, we more often than not bear 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. But, yes, the impending strike ultimately does signal an insensitivity to undergraduate education, but it is hardly surprising union members have to bear. I hope that the campus community will rally behind the undergraduates themselves in supporting a unionization effort that has already achieved 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) 975-9074 or 1111 Franklin St., 12th Floor, Oakland, CA, 94607-5200.

Glyn Hughes is a teaching associate for Sociology 176A.
If you had one day to spend with Chancellor Yang, what would you do with him?

- Discuss the ethnic/gender studies issue.
- Take him to Kentucky Fried Chicken so he could have some soul food.

Alice Thompson
freshman psychology

- Take him swing dancing.

Aaron Carey
junior black studies

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

Cristina Moore
junior ecology and evolution

- Go smoke a bowl with him.

Ramon Montia
junior electrical/computer engineering

- Take him kayaking in the Channel Islands.

Malia Basche
sophomore electrical/computer global and international studies

HOOPS
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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 UCSB 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, including 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 perimeter 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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STEVE WENDT

Thank God for minor miracles; Evander Holyfield will finally get to host 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 been matched for the vacant title. The fight will be in the city of Portland and will be for the vacant WBA and IBF titles with Lewis’ WBC belt.

Lewis is all hype (see Michael Spinks). Holyfield is just plain honest at this point in his career. The man rumor has him out... get real.

The whole division could use a shot in the arm. Especially when the biggest bout on the horizon looked to be a Larry Holmes—George Foreman Vagradaeus event. Two 50-year-olds whose ears can be safe during the fight because all the Pol-Grip at Ritz-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 (see Mike Tyson) — is that the ‘80s division needed an injection.

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 he didn’t get involved in the silly business of pro boxing, he could have been the best thing since the creation of the career.

— Steve Wendt is the Daily Nexus sports editor/sports editor who keeps his left arm.

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.

SPORTS

Gauchos Lights Turned Off in Practice, Game
BY MATT HURST
Staff Writer

Despite not practicing Monday night, the UCSB men’s basketball team has played its best game of the season Tuesday. The Gauchos scored a season-high 93 points but were still handed a defeat. This time it was at the hands of Portland.

The Gauchos (0-4 overall) couldn’t praticize 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 praticing.

“We didn’t have a good practice at all yesterday,” UCSB Head Coach Bob Williams said. “We sat up and down a dark floor and did a walkthrough, but we weren’t able to work on some things that we need to improve on. This team will 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 before 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 Westminster and was injured in his shooting arm on a pick by a Warrior player.

But Payton might have played his best game in a Gauchos 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. Hunter, 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 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 apparent

Urbana Soccer Never Lost Pride in Defeats
Season in Review

BY DENNIS JENKINS
Reporter

Despite winning only two games all season, the UCSB men’s soccer team fought hard to the very end of each game and the season. In each 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 3-8-1 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 season opener. This was a team consisting of only three seniors in Mark Mangiola, Aren Wellman — the team’s leading point-scorer — and Rana Zama­ni. The rest of the Gaacho 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 played as a dominant goal-keeper Trent Ulicny who kept every game close for UCSB; sophomore Lucas Delignit who had a hat trick in one game; freshman Tate Travis, a starter all year and second on the team in points; and sophomore Chas Schwart, 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 Gaecho 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 Holiday should re-cov'er 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 Aya as a “maestro” to scorer, missed the entire year with a leg injury. Holiday, 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 Gauchos 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 don’t know for granted the com­petition, the practice, and your teammates.”

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.

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:

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