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Yang Returns Football to Santa Barbara

Chancellor Dips Into University Budget for Funds

By Sitruc Resiak
Staff Writer

In a stunning decision made public at a press conference Wednesday, UCSB Chancellor Henry Yang announced that men's football will return to the campus as an intercollegiate sport.

After months of pressure from UCSB Athletic Director Gary Cunningham, community boosters and students, Yang agreed to dip into his discretionary funds and the UCSB general budget to provide a \$1.2 million per year commitment to a team which will begin play in the 1997-98 season in the Big West Conference.

"After talking with Gary and listening to the students' cries for a football team, I made the decision to bring back the sport," Yang said. "UCSB is striving to become a world-class university, and having a top football team is the logical next step toward that goal."

A great deal of controversy has surrounded the decision, most notably from the Film Studies and Art History departments — two disciplines which will be eliminated due to this decision.

Film Studies Chair Willing N. Ready was livid with Yang's decision.

"I'm sick and tired of our department being treated as a



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FOOTBALL IS BACK: UCSB, which hasn't had a football team since 1991, will be back at Harder Stadium next season thanks to Chancellor Yang's generous commitment to the squad. Former UCLA Head Coach Terry Donahue will coach the Gaucho squad.

joke," Ready said as he pushed "play" on his office VCR and began to watch *Police Academy IV*. "People think we sit around all day and watch movies — well, we do, but that's not the point."

At the press conference, Yang announced that UCSB's head football coach would be former UCLA Coach Terry Donahue. Yang lured Donahue from the broadcasting booth to Santa Barbara with a guaranteed six-year, \$4 million contract.

Donahue was more than enthusiastic to return to the coaching ranks.

"I'm stoked," he said. "Coming back to S.B. is a total bonus. My parents were from Isla Vista, and I was raised on D.P. I can't wait to post our first victory and head out for a little couch burning and maybe some herb burning."

UCSB last had a football team in 1991, but the squad was cut due to budgetary constraints and lack of student interest. Because of Yang's generous funding, money is no longer a problem, and judging from the reactions of the 396 students at the press conference to Yang's announcement

that open alcohol containers will be allowed at Harder Stadium, student interest should be extremely high.

"Duuuude," said seventh-year senior communications major Archi Cianfrocco, who was at UCSB before the football team was cut. "Duuuude."

Cunningham echoed Cianfrocco's comments.

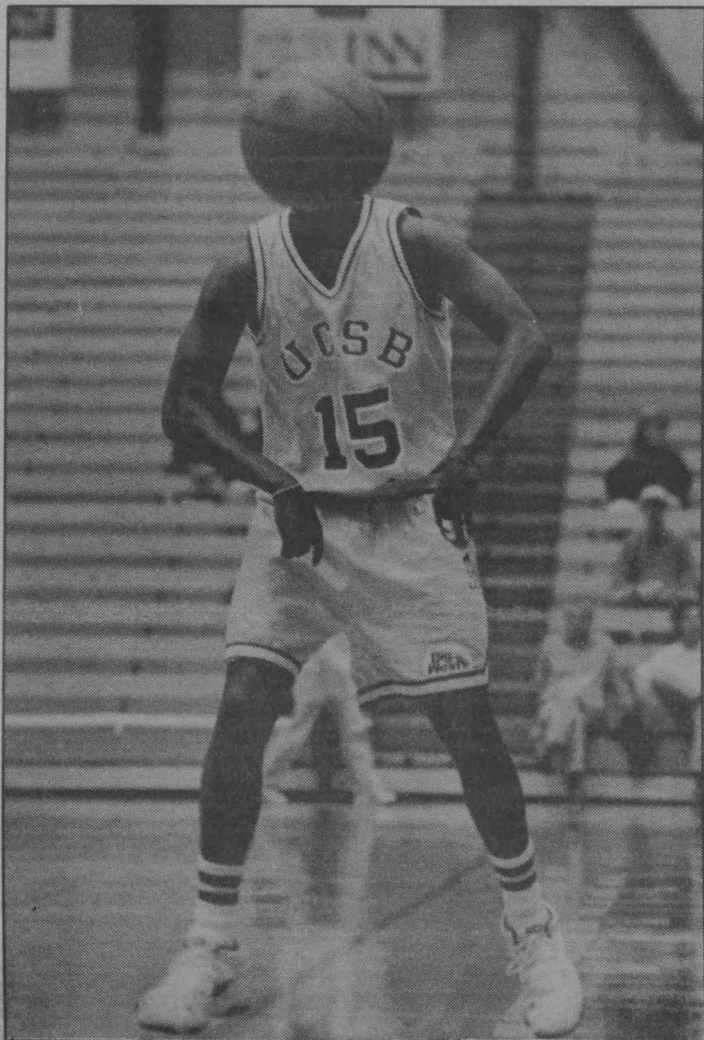
"Now that our men's basketball team has fallen to such a low level of play, UCSB needs a sport to bring in revenue," he said. "By expanding Harder Stadium to hold 40,000 people, we can

make enough money to fund the entire Athletic Dept. and move 13 club sports to intercollegiate status."

Yang was realistic about the team's chances for success in its early years.

"I fully expect us to compete on the level of local teams such as UCLA and USC," he said. "Certainly we won't win a national championship our first year, but a berth in the Poulan Weed Eater Independence Bowl might be nice."

Men's Basketball Squad Signs Star Recruit; Pimm Predicts Tournament Bid in 1996-97



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DOUBLE DRIBBLE: Future Gaucho guard Rub-a-Dub L. Dribble is certain to help the men's basketball team.

By Rutsic Siakre
Staff Writer

The UCSB men's basketball team announced the signing of its first recruit in the early signing period on Friday.

Rub-a-Dub L. Dribble, a 6'2" point guard from Jamaica, committed to attend UCSB by signing a letter of intent, according to UCSB Head Coach Jerry Pimm.

Pimm is excited about the signing, and predicts that Dribble will make an immediate impact on a squad that went only 11-17 last season. He indicated that Dribble will likely take the shooting guard spot vacated by last year's leading scorer, Lelan McDougal.

"This kid is all about basketball. He lives, eats, sleeps and dreams about the game," Pimm said. "I mean, for God's sake, the little bastard has a basketball for a head. He could lead us to the Big Dance."

Indeed, Dribble's basketball head has caused quite a stir wherever he has played. Because he is from Jamaica, other colleges had not sent out assistant coaches to scout him. Luckily for UCSB, Assistant Coach Chris Carlson was vacationing in the tropical paradise when he saw Dribble for the first time.

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PAPER OR PLASTIC?: Gaucho Basketball Fans Anonymous (G.B.F.A.) members are pictured here at one of their weekly meetings. Locations of the meetings are secret.

Gaucho Die-Hards Call It Quits; Group Renames Itself G.B.F.A.

By Rucist Siaker
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In a disappointing turn of events made public over Spring Break, the group of UCSB athletic fans known as the Gaucho Die-Hards has decided to call it quits. The group will now be known as G.B.F.A. for Gaucho Basketball Fans Anonymous.

Frustrated by the team's 37-47 record over the last three seasons and the squad's five-game collapse at the end of the 1995-96 campaign, the Die-Hards have traded in their T-shirts, face paint and enthusiasm, for new group uniforms — brown paper bags.

No longer will the group attempt to rally students behind the basketball team, hand out tickets on game days or lead the crowd in cheering at the Thunderdome. Instead, according to group president Sarah (who didn't want her last name used in this story), the G.B.F.A.'s purpose will be for its members to drown its basketball-related sorrows at a local watering hole each Thursday night.

"I'm sick of it all — the phantom, Pimm, the constant heartbreaking losses. I just can't take it anymore," Sarah said. "That's why I de-

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Campus Employee Nickerson Is on His Way to a Leaf-Blowing National Championship

By Cutsir Raiser
Staff Writer

He's big ... he's mean ... he's a leaf-blowing machine.

Eddie "Blow-Me" Nickerson, a UCSB employee in Facilities Management, has qualified for the 1996 leaf-blowing championships, to be held April 13-21 in New York City's Central Park.

Nickerson won a spot in the championships by sweeping his competition at regionals in Oregon in February. Although Nickerson will face three-time national champion Rick Blowers in New York, he seems confident in his ability.

"I can match up against anyone in the country," he said. "Give me a pile of leaves and my Echo, and I'll be ready to blow away the competition."

Nickerson's Echo is his 100-horsepower, three-speed, cordless leaf-blowing machine. The equipment being a gift from his late father, Nickerson has a customized case for his Echo which he places between himself and his wife on his bed every night.



Nihilist File Photo

BLOWN AWAY: Piles of leaves and trash don't stand a chance against UCSB employee Eddie Nickerson and his Echo model leaf-blower.

Nickerson's coach, veteran UCSB groundskeeper Richard Bottalico, has molded Nickerson in his image.

"He's a good kid," Bottalico said of Nickerson. "He's still got a lot to learn, but he'll be ready for the championships. That Echo he's got is a damn fine machine. They didn't have none of them fancy contraptions when I was his age, but that don't matter. He's just got to focus on the piles of leaves and make sure he gets them going in the same direction."

While many people think of leaf-blowing as a

boring job involving tedious manual labor, Nickerson certainly disagrees.

"When I'm blowing, I get into a zone. It's like meditation for me. I don't even wear earplugs. I just fire up my Echo and blow everything around me. I don't get fancy — just straight blowing."

Fans interested in watching Nickerson train for the event can catch him in action between Santa Rosa and San Miguel residence halls Monday through Friday from noon until 5 p.m.

composure for a moment when he attempted to talk about his father, who died when his head was popped in a tragic inflation attempt.

"Boink, boink, boink," said Dribble, banging his head against the podium. "Boink, boink, boink, boink, boink, boink, boink."

RECRUIT

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"I immediately thought to myself, 'This kid's got game,'" Carlson said. "Not only was he 'legit,' but he could really 'dish the rock.' I went up to him after the game and gave him propz — that's propz with a Z — make sure you write

that down."

Dribble, who averaged 37.4 ppg, 13.4 rpg and 6.7 apg at Barbados High, didn't really understand all the fuss over his signing at the press conference. When asked to describe his feelings about being the first person in his family to attend college, Dribble seemed to lose his

and that's where I got the idea."

Other G.B.F.A. members like Tim and John agreed with Sarah.

"I was back here in the glory days when UCSB

made the NCAA Tournament," said Tim, a sixth-year physical activities major. "That's why it's been so hard for me to watch the bunch of losers they've had out there the last couple of years.

GBFA

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cided to disband the Die-Hards. I used to see Seattle Mariner fans on television with bags over their heads

County of Santa Barbara PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On Thursday, April 11, 1996, at 4:00 p.m., Santa Barbara County will hold an Environmental Review hearing at 123 East Anapamu Street, Room 17, Santa Barbara, CA, to review the following project:

96-SD-1 (81-EIR-9, 91-SD-5, 91-SD-8 and other unnumbered reports)
Del Playa Seawall
95-CP-019

Public hearing to review 96-SD-1, a supplemental environmental document to the Environmental Impact Report 81-EIR-9 which has been prepared according to the Santa Barbara County Guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 and any subsequent amendments. As a result of this project, the following significant effects on the environment are anticipated: Class I: Recreation/Lateral Beach Access; Class II - Traffic and Aesthetics. The Supplement to the Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) may be reviewed at the Goleta Branch Library, 500 N. Fairview Avenue, Goleta, CA and at the UCSB Library, Reference Department, University of California at Santa Barbara, CA. The SEIR is available and all documents referenced in the document may be reviewed at Planning and Development, County Engineering Building, 123 East Anapamu Street, 1st Floor, Santa Barbara, CA.

Project Description:

The request of Leslie Monser, agent for Del Playa Seawall Owner's Association, for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the construction of a timber pile seawall at the base of the seacliff or coastal bluff at the landward edge of Isla Vista Beach south of Del Playa Drive in Isla Vista. The proposed timber seawall would be comprised of four non-contiguous segments totalling approximately 2,200 linear feet. The four segments would connect to existing seawalls and would include all of the privately-owned properties on the south side of Del Playa Drive between addresses 6567 and 6779. Several vacant parcels owned by public agencies (County of Santa Barbara; Isla Vista Park and Recreation District) are included in the project. The seawall is intended to reduce the rate of erosion of the seacliff (i.e. the rate seacliff retreat) caused by ocean wave action.

Project Location:

The project involves numerous Assessor's Parcel Numbers, located on Isla Vista Beach south of Del Playa Drive in the community of Isla Vista. It would extend 2,200 feet along the coastal seacliff across numerous parcels in the Isla Vista area, Third Supervisorial District.

The purpose of this notification and review procedure is to gather public comments on the adequacy and completeness of the draft document. Anyone interested in this matter is invited to appear and speak in support of or in opposition to the project. For further information, please contact the planner, Brian R. Baca (805) 568-2004 or FAX: (805) 568-2030. All letters should be addressed to Brian R. Baca, Planning and Development, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA, 93101. Written comments can only be accepted if they are received on or before the close of the public review period, April 29, 1996, by 5:00 p.m. Please limit comments to environmental issues only. There will be future public notice of the dates of public hearings to be held on the merits of the project. If you challenge this environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at a scheduled public hearing, or through written correspondence delivered to Planning and Development.

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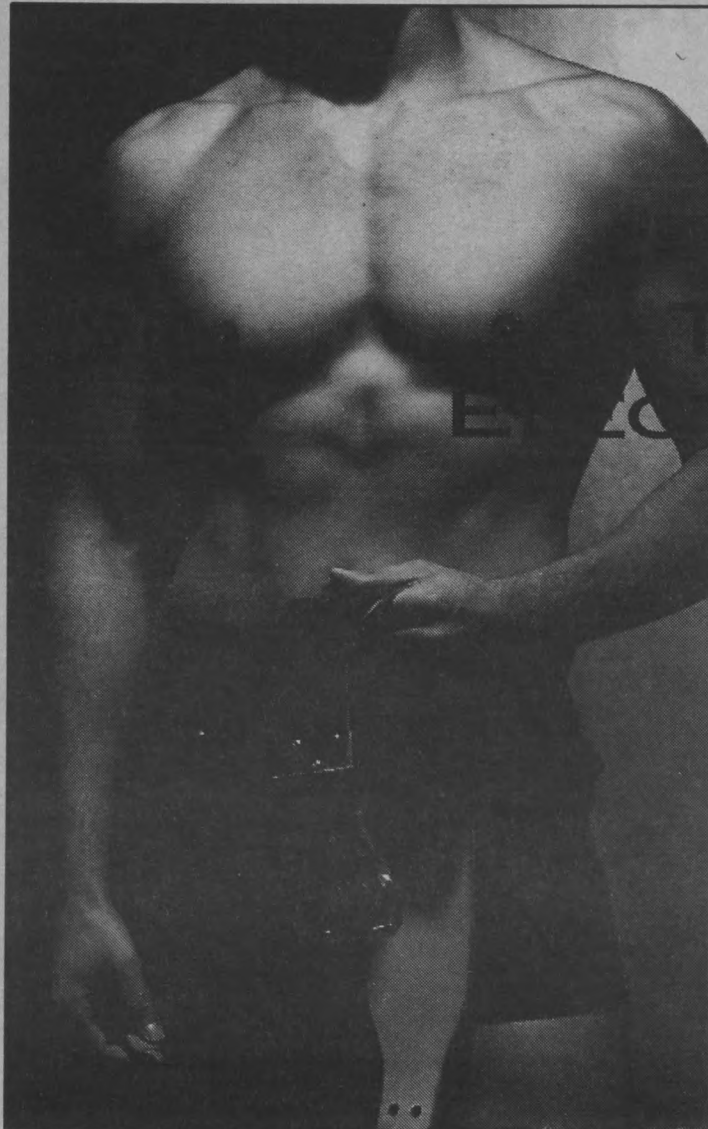
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THEORY

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Nihilist: Bo, you have spent much of the year blaming administrators for some sort of conspiracy to take over the UCen ...

Thoreen: Well, I was tossing some ideas around one night — as you may know, I am a philosophy major — and I devised a simple proof. "Pete Wilson is evil. Killing is evil. JFK was killed. Pete Wilson killed JFK."

Nihilist: By that logic, doesn't it follow that Pete Wilson killed everyone who was ever killed? Wouldn't that make him guilty of killing, say, Nicole Simpson and Ron Goldman?

Acuña: We're looking into that possibility, yes.

Nihilist: The Governor's Office has called your book — and this is a direct quote — "total bullshit." What evidence do you have to support your claim?

Thoreen: Obviously, you didn't understand my proof. But there is indubitably more evidence. For example, both Lee Harvey Oswald — whom I will henceforth refer to as "the innocent patsy" — and Pete Wilson are tough ex-

Marines ... **Nihilist:** Yes, I recall Wilson pointing that out 1,900 times during his presidential campaign.

Acuña: Well, there's your circumstantial evidence. But we also have a photo of Wilson with the murder weapon, which should put to rest any doubts.

Nihilist: This is the most obvious fake photo I have ever seen.

Thoreen: Really? Have you seen that photo of Andrea Seastrand getting accolades from environmentalists? Have you seen that photo of Bob Dole where he's smiling?

Nihilist: OK, maybe not the fakest. But pretty fake nonetheless. So what was the governor's supposed motive?

Thoreen: Well, there are a lot of them. But most importantly, he wanted to prevent Affirmative Action. He knew Kennedy was instrumental in introducing the controversial program he so despises ...

Nihilist: Didn't Lyndon Johnson introduce Affirmative Action?

Thoreen: Indubitably, yes.

Nihilist: But he came after Kennedy. Kennedy was dead by the time ...

Thoreen: Look, read the book, OK?

Acuña: It doesn't matter. There were other motivations, too. Wilson also objected to the Kennedy clone's opposition to

Proposition 187. **Nihilist:** Hold on ... what clone?

Acuña: Oh God, you are really caught up in the lying mainstream media. Read Chapter 8, "The Time Machine." In 1998 the Kennedy clone, developed by Berkeley scientists, will deliver a rousing speech opposing Prop 187 and ...

Nihilist: What time machine? What clone? What the hell are you talking about?

Thoreen: I don't think it's fair that we be forced to grant an interview with someone who is unaware of the time machine, the clone and probably the governor's secret pact with Beelzebub. How do you think he sold all those albums in the '70s?

Nihilist: Um, yeah, I think we're about out of time ...

Acuña: Actually, I'd say it's the mainstream, clone-fearing, Satanic-pact-oblivious media that is "out of time."

Thoreen: That's right, and you can read all about it in the book. We'll also tell you what Attorney General Dan Lungren has done with Kennedy's remains and the one weakness of Wilson's super-powered robot arm, which he hides beneath a false layer of flesh. Only education can stop these injustices.

upon learning the beef they consumed was contaminated.

"Vegetarianism is the answer," mumbled Seth Blinkineye, an undeclared freshman.

Many students, if they can remember long

enough, said they plan to sue the residence hall. But Dunn said he's not too worried.

"These kids can barely tie their shoes without help," he said. "How can they pin this on me?"

WINNER

Continued from p.1 of the votes, according to County Clerk-Recorder Ken Pettit.

Pettit pleaded with Wallace to remain calm and await a recount, but the irate supervisor slammed the door in his face, calling him a "lousy fascist." Pettit downplayed the incident, expressing concern for the forlorn official.

"I'm sure he's just in shock. We have every expectation that Bill will leave the position when the time comes," he said.

But Wallace said the election was rigged and has promised to hold his ground. "They won't take me alive," he said.

Chamberlin, who was

cleaning his shotgun outside the county administration building at press time, called a recount unnecessary and said he is anxious to move in. "I think we can oblige Dr. Wallace," he said.

Among Wallace's concerns is that all the ballots may not be included in a recount, as a fire roared through the elections office Sunday evening.

But Pettit, who extinguished the fire in time to prevent major damage, said all the ballots were recovered. The county Sheriff's Dept. has no suspects in what it believes was a case of arson.

Pettit said he suspects the culprit could be Chamberlin supporter Andy Caldwell, executive director of the Coalition of Labor, Agriculture and Business.

"I saw a brown-haired man in black slithering out a hall window and chortling quietly. How many muttering, curly-haired slitherers do you know?" Pettit said.

But Caldwell pointed a finger at the Marshall campaign, calling it yet another attempt to paint him as a crazy conspirator.

"Why should you believe Pettit? His conspiring with Wallace, the university, Marshall, the United Nations, Disney and the CIA makes his suspicions somewhat lacking in merit," he said.

Pettit believes a recount will be concluded by the end of the week, but expressed doubt that all of those involved will accept the results.

"They're a bunch of loons — every last one of 'em," he said.

TOKER

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Dianne Feinstein. One of our domestics introduced me to the stuff, and then I smoked out my husband," she said. "In India, they call it 'the soother of sorrow.' I stand behind him 100 percent. Our cause is just, and I have faith in our legal system."

Gov. Pete Wilson, a fellow Republican toker, expressed support for his bud.

"I know that after a long day of screwing over students and illegal immigrants, there's nothing I like better than lighting up a fat doobie," he said. "The green pleasure machine never does me wrong."

Campus reaction to the arrest was varied. Toker

Greenbud, a sophomore botany major in attendance, was dazed by the day's proceedings.

"I think it sucks," he said. "I mean, it's for a good cause and all, but there's this thing called being discreet, you know? I did seven bowls this morning before I got the munchies, but that was at home. But I still think it still sucks."

But senior law and society major Kif Chillim, who also attended the rally, was neither dazed nor confused.

"The guy's a dork," he said. "I'd work quietly for change within the system, if I had his kind of money. Maybe start with medicinal purposes, then weasel in full legalization later, when they're not looking."

Hemp products vendor

Al Espino, who helped organize the rally and watched the arrest from his booth, said Huffington's herb clouded the true focus of the rally.

"I think the tragedy here is that we've called attention away from the real issue," he said. "Here's a plant that could stop deforestation, curtail acid rain, reverse the greenhouse effect, end the war in Bosnia, solve the trade deficit and make the world a bright, happy place."

Espino, who originally opposed inviting Huffington to speak, expressed sympathy for the former congressman.

"The guy's still got a lot to learn," he said. "Right now, it seems like all he cares about is getting choned."

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Dunn. Student residents expressed emotions ranging from outrage to confusion

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