

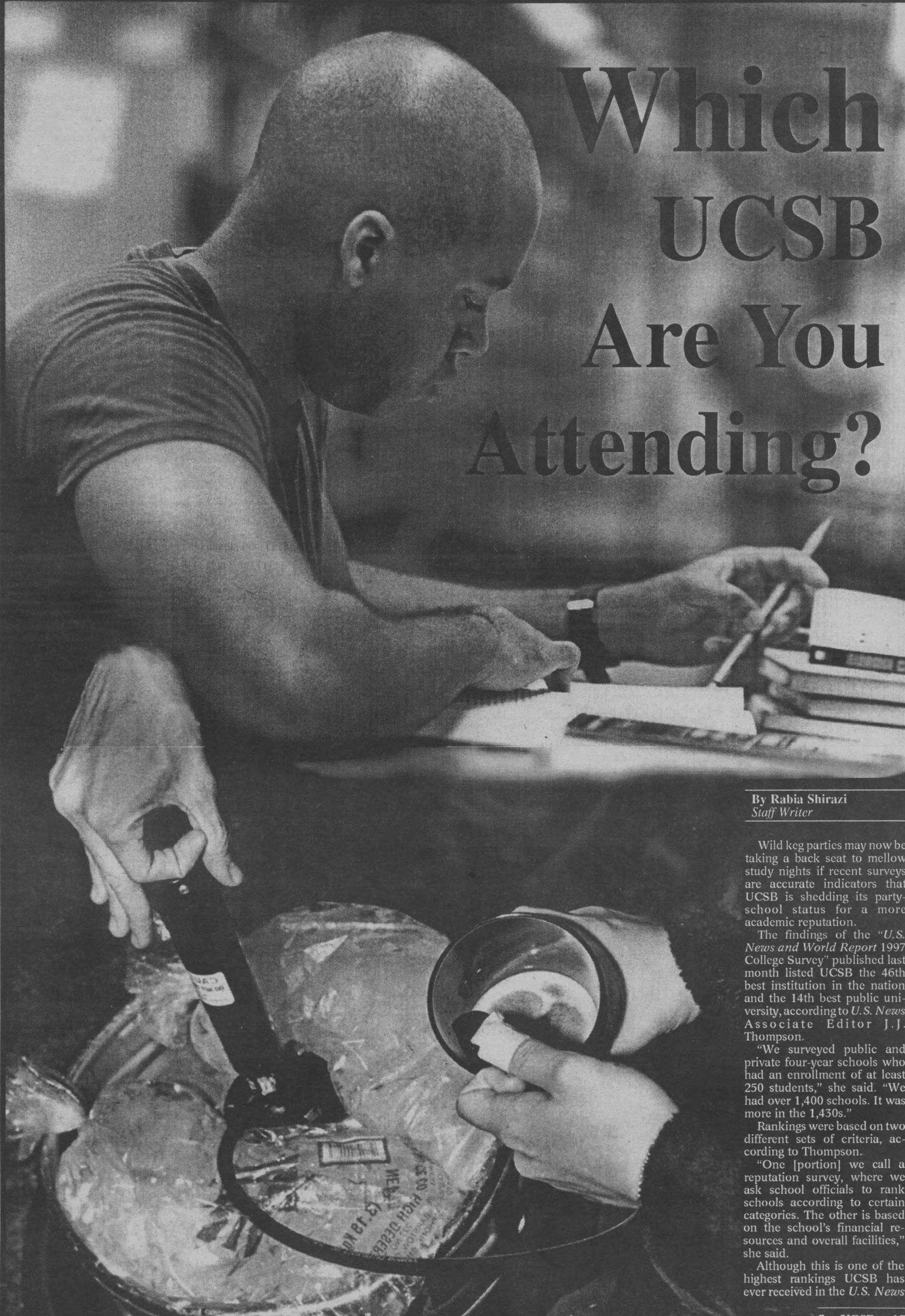
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Which UCSB Are You Attending?

By Rabia Shirazi
Staff Writer

Wild keg parties may now be taking a back seat to mellow study nights if recent surveys are accurate indicators that UCSB is shedding its party-school status for a more academic reputation.

The findings of the "U.S. News and World Report 1997 College Survey" published last month listed UCSB the 46th best institution in the nation and the 14th best public university, according to U.S. News Associate Editor J.J. Thompson.

"We surveyed public and private four-year schools who had an enrollment of at least 250 students," she said. "We had over 1,400 schools. It was more in the 1,430s."

Rankings were based on two different sets of criteria, according to Thompson.

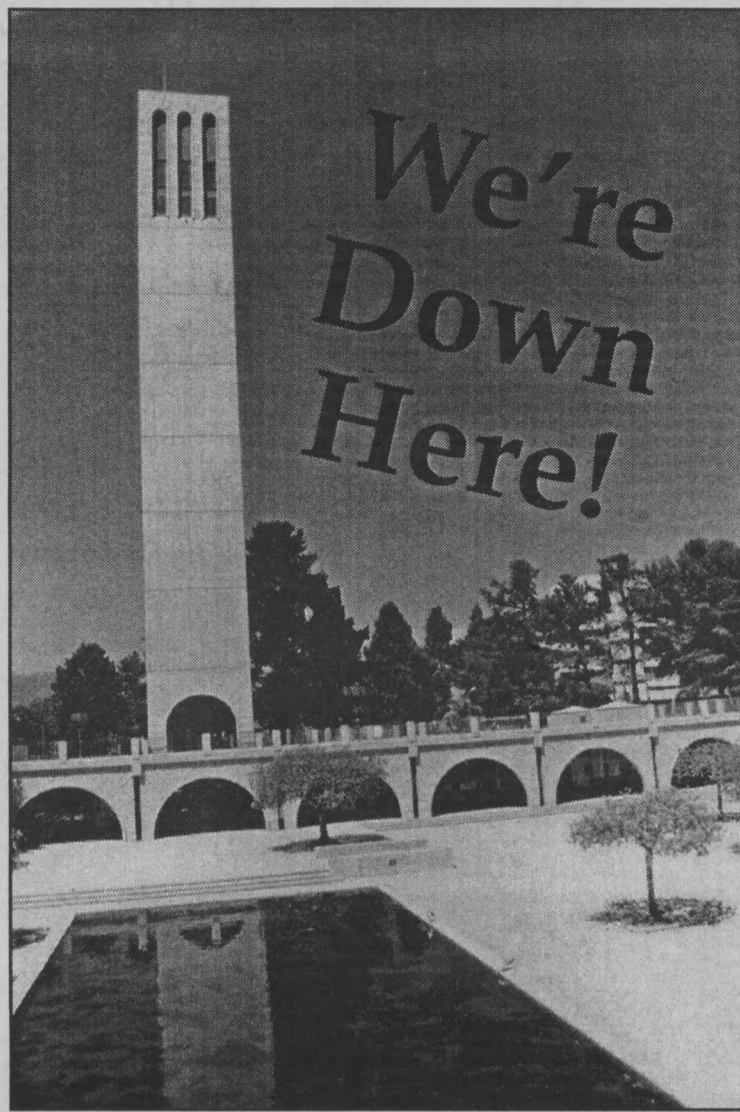
"One [portion] we call a reputation survey, where we ask school officials to rank schools according to certain categories. The other is based on the school's financial resources and overall facilities," she said.

Although this is one of the highest rankings UCSB has ever received in the U.S. News

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Vacancies Few and Far Between as Housing Crunch Hits

By Zack Musa
Staff Writer

As students make their trek to UCSB for the upcoming Fall Quarter, those still looking for residence in Isla Vista and Goleta are faced with anxieties that reach beyond crashing classes and looking for used books.

Due to another local housing crisis, students can no longer rely on local agencies to find last-minute rental vacancies.

There has been an annual decline in housing availability, according to SFM Vista Del Mar rental agency owner Valerie Sweatt.

"I at least had apartments available in September [of last year]," said Sweatt, who recalled leasing a record 35 apartments in a span of 12 days that month. "This year I don't."

As of July 1, all but five SFM units had been leased out, Sweatt added.

In the same month, all available units under Bartlein & Company's jurisdiction had been leased out, according to Bartlein & Company, Inc. Vice President Dave Russo.

"This is the strongest rental crisis in I.V. and Santa Barbara that I have seen in 10 years," Russo said.



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Signs such as the one pictured above are popping up all over Isla Vista and Goleta as those communities endure another seasonal housing shortage.

"Right now and for the last three months, any vacancies that would come up would be rented within a day — and that's outside I.V. We've been rented in I.V. for a couple months now."

Although the evidence appears to indicate a downward spiral in the availability of future housing accommodations, Community Housing Office Manager Roane Akchurin believes that the

university has done its part in educating students about the situation.

"I think the university has definitely taken a stand so that everyone knows that there's been a shortage of housing," she said.

However, Tropicana Gardens Contracts Manager Maxine Kelley is doubtful that most of the incoming freshmen are aware of how serious the problem is.

"There's a lot of information that goes out to the new freshmen and I'm not sure that they read it entirely," she said. "If there are time deadlines, they might have missed them and that might be part of the problem."

Rental agents and the CHO strongly urge incoming freshmen and current students to start looking for future housing as soon

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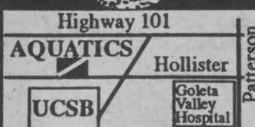
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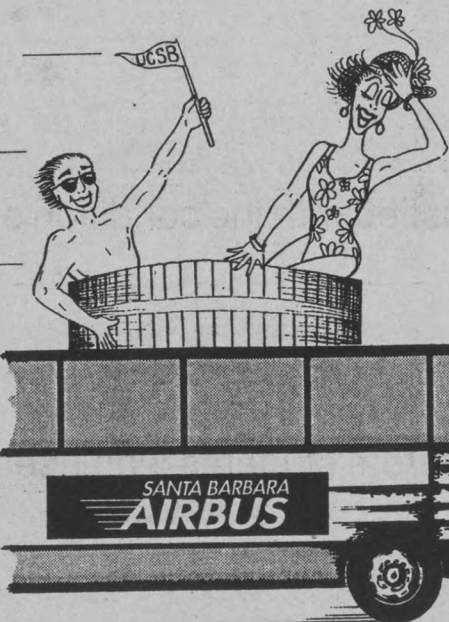
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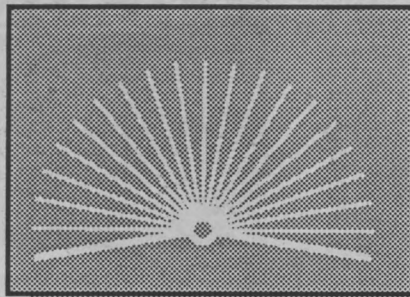
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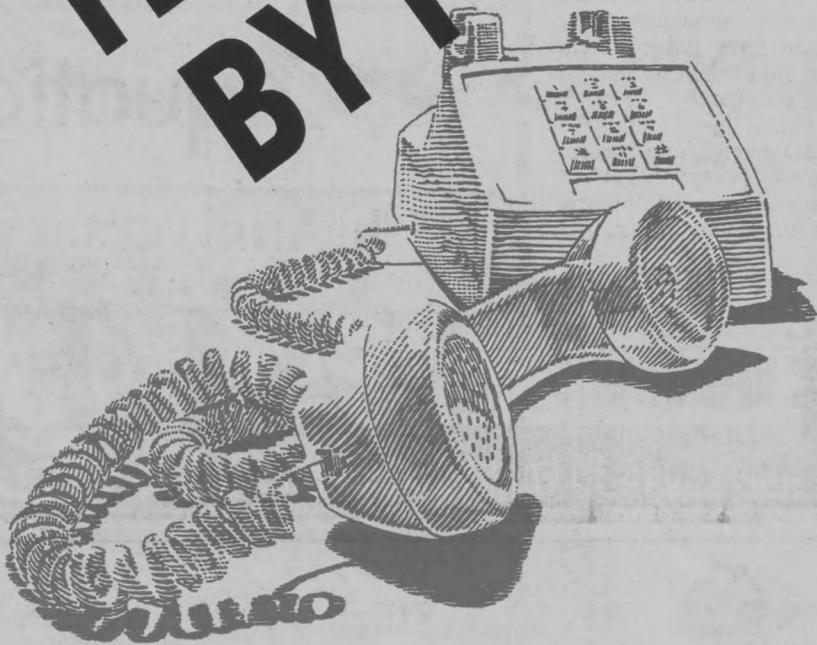


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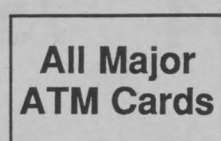
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What Every Student Should Know About the Isla Vista Foot Patrol

By Kelly Parkinson
Staff Writer

Three freshman women had finally carved a space within the nest of sweaty T-shirts and silver wallet chains when Puff Daddy stopped rapping.

They nervously adjusted the straps of their cotton tank tops. A helmeted figure was scrawling on a carbon pad by flashlight next to DJ Hector's turntable.

"It's only 12:30!" said Freshman Female #1. Her hair looked good. Her eye shadow, a shade of iridescent pearl that the Clarion computer had selected to compliment her rosy beige skin tone, hadn't yet garnered praise. In short, she wasn't done.

A seasoned 19-year-old Sophomore

Male with a red thermos articulated what others thought but would not say: "Yes, but the county noise ordinance states that you can't play loud music after midnight on Friday and Saturday, and after 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday. You can get a \$108 ticket."

The freshmen reflected upon this new-found information. The man with the nightstick walked away, and, like the pied piper's villagers, most of the partygoers followed his cue and left.

"Who was that helmeted man in the tight shorts wielding a Bic?" asked Freshman Female #2, who was wearing a beaded barrette from the UCSB gift shop. Freshman Female #3, who was also wearing a beaded barrette from the UCSB gift

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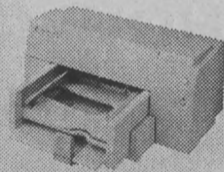
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A) invite him or her along for a night of Isla Vista revelry with other dorm dwellers.

B) give him or her a pamphlet listing campus clubs and organizations to join and meet people.

C) introduce him or her to your new friends by hosting a rousing campus-wide game of Find My

Roommate's Underwear.

2. For some reason, you get the feeling that your hall's resident assistant doesn't like you. To overcome this communication gap, you ...

A) schedule an appointment with the R.A. to talk through your problems.

B) flood the R.A.'s room during lunch with a fire hose.

C) spread dirty rumors about the R.A. so that the rest of the hall will be on your side.

3. After a few weeks, you find the dining commons menu to be unbearably monotonous and the food to be sub-par. To raise the quality of your eating experience, you ...

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B) hustle non-English-speaking students for laundry money at the dorm's billiards lounge.

C) watch one of the movies being shown in the hall's conference room.

5. While returning to your room after a night of studying, you see some other hall residents in the floor lounge smoking marijuana out of a sneak-a-toke pipe. Reacting, you ...

A) rush to the nearest R.A. to report this deviant behavior.

B) say, "I wish you guys would do that in your room, it really makes me uncomfortable."

C) say, "Hey dudes, that's not cool. That pipe's way too small — wanna use my six-footer?"

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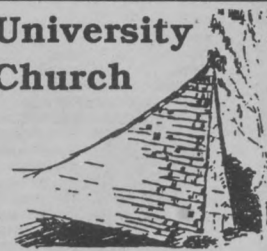
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IVFP

Continued from p.5 shop, repeated what Freshman Female #2 said. She added a thoughtfully punctuated "Hmmm?"

The correct answer is an Isla Vista Foot Patrol officer, who responds to calls from I.V. residents and who enforces the aforementioned noise ordinance, along with violations such as underage possession of alcohol, public intoxication and biking under the influence, to name a few.

The IVFP, modestly sandwiched between a record store and a parking lot on Pardall Road, is made up of 13 Santa Barbara Sheriff's Dept. officers, five university police and two California Highway Patrol officers. It was established after rioting students and police violently clashed in 1970.

That year, residents burned the Bank of America in protest of a university administration they felt was ignoring their concerns. Outside police, viewed as insensitive and brutal by I.V. residents, did little to ameliorate the situation. Witnesses complained that officers searched apartments without cause or warrant and beat innocent bystanders. Many hoped the Foot Patrol, focused on humanizing the relationship between officers and citizens, would provide an effective alternative to heavy-handed, out-of-town enforcement.

IVFP Lt. Geoff Banks, an affable man with a balding pate, speaks with fatherly pride of his department. He says the IVFP's policies center around community policing, which involves keeping the channels of communication with residents open, while aiming to curb crime and unwanted



Being a minor in possession of alcohol (above) can get you in major trouble with the Isla Vista Foot Patrol, who won't hesitate to issue you a citation under the "no tolerance" policy.

noise. Banks says the policy is consistent with American tradition.

"It goes back to the Old West. The marshal of the town was community policing."

But unlike marshals of history, who enforced their laws through gun battles and summary executions, Banks encourages his officers to mingle with residents when they take their lunch breaks. He wants to debunk a common perception among residents that the Foot Patrol is a military force.

"I encourage [the deputies] to go out when they're on a break, have a soda while they are relaxing and talk to people. That's how we educate the public. ... We have to be a part of the community. We're not just an occupying army. We're not a martial law. ... Community policing is the basic street cop saying, 'I'm proud to serve the community, to make life better for the people who live here. How do I do it?'"

Community policing depends on the initiative of residents to seek out officers and ask them questions as well, however. All too often, parties wait un-

til they've been caught breaking the law to ask for clarification, said Senior Deputy Bruce Pixley.

"Don't wait until they've committed a violation. ... We always try to be approachable, but at a large party ... we're focused on officer safety issues so we don't get hurt. That's not the time we can answer questions because we have other things we're trying to accomplish here."

Among the most common infractions freshmen should avoid are MIPs, or minor in possession of alcohol. Newcomers frequently flout the law by carrying cups of beer into the street, putting themselves doubly at risk, as they can be cited for both possessing an open container in public and for not being old enough to legally drink it. According to Pixley, offenders can lose their driver license for a year and receive a stiff fine.

And the law won't bend for freshmen banking on officers' benevolence. Police will enforce a "no tolerance" policy starting now, according to Banks. At an August Halloween planning meeting, Banks said they decided to enact

"no tolerance" early this year.

"'No tolerance' as of now," he said. "We're trying to find the middle ground and be reasonable, but still maintain public safety."

Pixley said early implementation of "no tolerance" is a strategy to get the word out that I.V. "is not a place where everybody does whatever they want." Once Fall Quarter starts, Pixley said, street-walking beer totes and students with booming speakers who don't know any better won't get the benefit of the doubt.

"Because we're going from person to person and from call to call we can't differentiate between someone who is a freshman and doesn't know and someone who's been there a while."

Police hope that enforcing "no tolerance" early will increase the potential for safe revelry on Halloween by discouraging out-of-town swingers and troublemakers.

"If we went out and gave warning after warning ... out here we would have a bigger problem come Halloween because word

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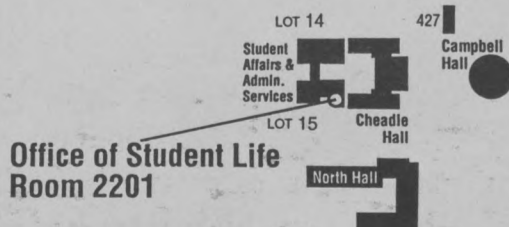
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 as possible. Akchurin also recommends adhering to tips from the "CHO Survival Guide," which details the process of finding and leasing a property.
 Both the present housing drought and those of previous years were accompanied by a dramatic increase in the enrollment of new students. Although

the exact number of new students for the '97-'98 school year won't be known until the third week of school, Director of Admissions William Villa estimates that approximately 4,950 new students will register for the new school year.
 The increased demand for rentals is a result of both the increase in enrollment and a changing market in the Santa Barbara area, he said.

"The fact that demand

was stronger than we had anticipated exacerbated the situation," Villa said.

Sweatt also believes that the housing shortage goes beyond a growth in student numbers.

"An awful lot of [the housing shortage] is beyond the university's control," she said. "Part of the problem is that the market has dried up in terms of available rentals, and that has nothing to do with the university."

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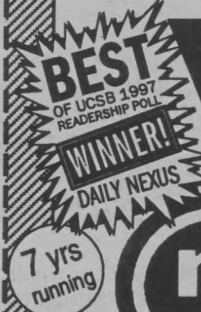
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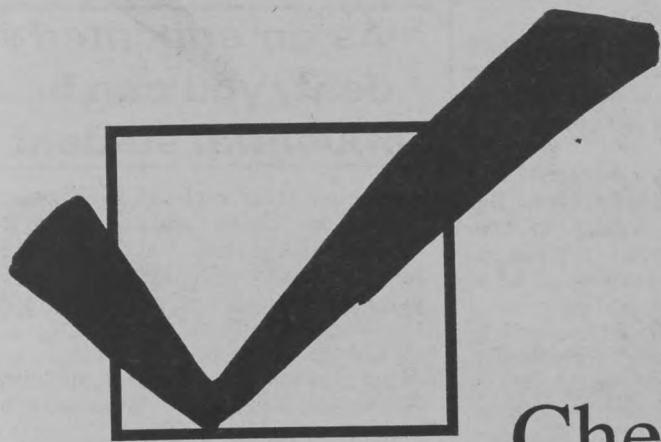
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EDITORS' NOTES

Nexus Opinion to Freshmen: Join the Show! Grab the Spotlight!

➤ *The Editors Put Forth a Call for Talented Performers*

When it comes right down to it, you're likely reading this article solely because it's a slow day and you didn't get any other mail today. Or perhaps out of some strange impulse to read your first issue of the *Daily Nexus* cover to cover.

Whatever the case, it is unlikely that you are reading this article, this Opinion page, because you want to catch up on the ebb and flow of politics, discussion, debate, joy, anger, passionate belief, etc., at UCSB.

We sincerely hope that this will change once you arrive here and settle in. There is an infinity of things to talk about in this place — and most of them *do* get talked about on this page. Every day the subjects shift, the speakers vary, but the concept never changes. This page is where you get to say what you've always wanted to say, and your audience is guaranteed. This is where you get to read others' cherished ideas, musings and diatribes. And then you get to tell them where you think they went wrong, if you wish.

It's grand fun, and a great show, really. We have people up on their soapboxes expounding on issues ranging from the worldwide to the utterly random. We have hecklers in the audience, and people heckling the hecklers. We have the occasional brawl in the stands, the pause as order is restored, the troublemakers ejected and the stage swept clean of rotten fruit. New speakers then replace the old; new ideas are offered up for the public delectation, dissection and discussion. And what we do is manage the show. With the help of luck and Providence, be able to provide you with a play put on — very literally — by a cast of thousands.

Let's extend the metaphor and say that this, what you are reading at this moment, is a casting call. We are looking for people to get up on stage and speak their pieces, improvisational theatre at its finest. We want people who care about something, about anything, who will take a minute to think about it and then write these thoughts down and give them into my care. We'll put as many of you on stage as we can. We need the first weeks' performers to be the best, the most passionate we can possibly find. Your efforts will inspire others to reply, to retort, to do their own thinking and their own writing. And the show will go on.

Won't you join us? Won't you help us? Do you care, do you think, do you feel? Then write!

Give us — give the whole campus — your script and your interpretation. Give us your quiet considerations, your angered cries, your heated irony and your freezing scorn. Delight us with your wit and move us with your honesty. Say it, that we may hear; tell us, that we may know.

The spotlight awaits.

Nexus Opinion to Freshmen, Part 2: Excuse Our Long-Windedness

➤ *The Editors Sit Down and Chat With the Readers*

Lest it seem that our only concern at the moment is feeding our egos by persuading hordes of people to write letters to us, we'd like to spend a little time talking with you about other, more meaningful issues. We talk, you listen. Sound like a deal? OK, then.

To begin, you have a strange relationship with us. We do not know who you are, and you know us only through our writing, and that only when it has a byline. Our job for the next year is to educate and entertain you with selected excerpts from other people's thoughts — and that is, on the surface, ridiculous because, as we have just pointed out, you don't know us at all. So how to make this rignarole work?

Well, on the one hand, we can guess. We can look at the submissions we receive and select the ones that really have something to say and put them out here for you to read. But that won't work forever. Sooner than later you will realize that we've managed to leave something out of the Opinion page, some issue of great importance to you — say, the upcoming banana-peeling contest. And you will want us to correct that omission. What then?

Well, if you complain loudly enough and to the right people, we'll hear and take note. If you write an angry letter railing at us for never once mentioning the illustrious history of professional banana peeling, we'll print it, and other people will read what you have to say and perhaps decide that you're right. But if you actually sit down and write an article for us about banana peeling, about the people who peel bananas for fun and profit, and, perhaps, about the social issues surrounding the sport, not only will we be very happy to publish that column, but you'll also likely influence people to really *think* about this contest and, perhaps, say new and different things about it.

OK, so we were begging for submissions again. Sorry. But the point was this: Do remember that we can't print what hasn't been submitted. So, if you feel that your interests and concerns are being left out of the discussion presented here, *add them in yourself!*

Let's see. What else did we want you to know? Oh, yes. This is the Opinion page of the *Daily Nexus*. We're sure you knew that, but we want to reiterate here that this space is used for opinions, not news reporting. You see, some readers in past years have worried that the *Nexus* was compromising its journalistic integrity by printing biased articles, so we'd like to make clear the division between the Opinion page and the rest of the newspaper. Again, this is where we print what you think, what other people think and what the *Daily Nexus* itself thinks, based on the fruits of Editorial Board meetings. The articles on this page are by nature biased. This page is not, repeat, *not*, intended to be objective.

Along the same lines, when we print endorsements of candidates and legislative measures, these are also not intended to be objective. The *Daily Nexus* endorsements are based on a majority vote of the Editorial Board; votes are taken only after extensive interviewing and/or discussion and debate and are intended to represent the *Nexus*' collective editorial opinion as to which candidates and measures it is in the local public's best interest to vote for.

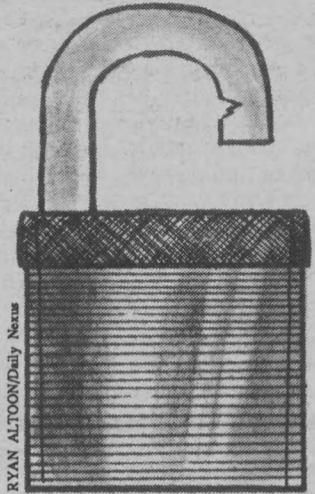
Another concern on a lot of people's minds last year was the political imbalance on this page. Simply put, conservative-minded people thought that there weren't enough articles written from a conservative point of view. Some of these took it a little farther and openly accused the *Daily Nexus* of being a tool of the liberal media conspiracy.

That's a problem in our book, certainly — we want to run this page fairly. But it bears repeating that we can't publish columns that haven't been submitted. So if there's going to be balance, you readers are going to have to help maintain it. Conservative thinkers, start your word-processing software. We need your help.

Hmm. Do we have any final comments? Let's see. We think, strangers though we may be to you, we can have a working relationship with you, of one kind or another. You can put this paper down and part ways with us, for good and aye; you can sit back and enjoy the show provided here; you can be part of this show and work more directly with us; you can get angry at us or at something we print, and we can ask you out to coffee and perhaps talk about it. One way or another, we can work together.

Well, that's about all we have to say. It's been nice talking with you. Talking to you, actually, and you've been very kind to listen. Take care of yourself, until we meet again. We look forward to it.

UC 101



Ladies and Gentlemen: Your Student Regent

➤ *Her Opening Remarks*

Kathryn McClymond

Pop quiz: Who are the University of California Regents? How did they get to be regents? What do they do anyway? And which UC Regent is also a UC student?

I know, I know — you're not really in the mood for pop quizzes yet. (After all, it's still summer vacation). You don't know anything about the regents except that they seem to ask for more and more of your money each year. And why should you worry about them anyway — you'll never know a UC Regent, right? Wrong.

Let me introduce myself. My name is Kathryn McClymond. I'm beginning my sixth year as a graduate student in religious studies at UC Santa Barbara, and from July 1, 1997, until June 30, 1998, I'm one of the UC Regents. One of my goals this year is to make the UC system — including the regents — a little less mysterious, a little more accessible and a lot more helpful to you, the UC student. Throughout the 1997-98 academic year I will be writing regular columns in the *Daily Nexus*, discussing how the UC is structured on a systemwide level, including the regents, the Office of the President, the chancellors and laboratory directors, and various student, faculty and staff organizations. We'll be looking at some of the hot issues currently fac-

"As an educated student, you can be an influential student ..."

ing the university, such as domestic partnership benefits, student fees and outreach to K-12 students across the state — all issues that affect us as students. Occasionally, I also plan to invite guest writers (other regents, administrators in the Office of the President and student leaders) to address topics in their areas of expertise.

But why should you care about any of this? As students we often feel far removed from the major financial and policy decisions that affect us. In a university system with over 160,000 students and an annual budget of over \$10 billion, it's easy to feel insignificant. But students have more influence than you might think, and the better informed we are about the policies, the people and the procedures that shape UC decision making, the better citizens we are in the university community. As an *educated* student you can be an *influential* student in your own university's development. And that benefits all of us: students, staff, faculty, administrators and regents.

In my next column I'll be describing the UC Regents themselves: who they are, what they do, how they get to be regents and how they work with President Richard Atkinson and the chancellors. Also, I'll describe the role of the student regent, the one UC student who sits as a voting member on the board of regents. And I'll tell you how you can apply to be next year's student regent. Any undergraduate or graduate student is eligible, and the selection process begins this fall. So it's not too early to start thinking about the possibility.

I'll also publish various columns designed to educate you more about the UC system and to make us better-informed, more active members of the university community. If you have particular issues you'd like to see me discuss, or if you have any questions about things happening in the university, you can contact me via e-mail at regent@gsa.ucsb.edu. I'll get back to you as soon as I can, and I look forward to a year where we can all make a positive contribution to the University of California.

Kathryn McClymond is the UC Student Regent for 1997-98.

A. Dick Parrent

Freshmen, *beware!* When our daughter first attended UCSB three years ago, my wife Cookie and I thought the college experience would enrich her mind, rejuvenate her soul and put *direction* in her life. Instead, she has entered a netherworld of debauchery and sin, one which has twisted her once-lofty goals and tainted her once-noble morals. This is all thanks to the *Devil Weed*, that destroyer of youth and purveyor of evil. Freshmen, *beware!* *Beware that Devil Weed!*

You know which weed I'm writing of, and it's certainly not dandelions or nettles. At least smoking those would only make you vomit. My daughter learned the hard way that smoking the Devil Weed causes effects much worse than simple regurgitation — just one "toke" of that infernal plant plunges you into a whirlpool of self-destruction and despair from which you can never escape. And you freshmen need to know that when you come to UCSB, you will be sailing on the cusp of that whirlpool's edge, the tides ever waiting for a moment's weakness to suck you under into the reefer addict's realm.

In that seedy underworld of UCSB and neighboring Isla Vista, the Devil Weed is *everywhere*, and it has many "hep" aliases — Acapulco gold, mary jane, ganja grass, Indian hay, bomb boo, rabbit tobacco, snop tea and mighty mezz, to name a few. Do you think you have the moral fortitude to resist? Will you be able to ignore the constant chanting of the strung-out dope-smokin' masses?

Well, for your sake, I hope so, but it's already way too late for our daughter, and she had God on her side. After you read about her sad decline, you will agree that Lucifer himself plants every Marihuana seed.

Until she left for college, our daughter was a model child. We made sure she learned from an early age the importance of home economics so that she could be a valuable wife someday. She was a prized member of our country club's Junior Society, visiting impoverished areas to teach proper table manners to ghetto children. And for six months in high school, she traveled with our church on a missionary expedition to an insignificant Third World nation in a valiant effort to convert those unwashed native heathens to an *appropriate* and *civilized* form of worship.

Of course, we gave her a strict upbringing, like any Good American Family. She wasn't allowed to date boys until she was 18, so that she would remain pure for her future husband. She was kept to a strict 7:00 curfew through her graduation (although we let her stay out until 10 on prom night). Her friends were carefully screened so that they shared the exact same values and beliefs, keeping her away from violent radical people with tarnished moral fiber. We made all the most important decisions for her so that she wouldn't have to endure the stress of our modern world.

When she told us that she wanted to go to college, Cookie and I had mixed feel-

ings. This went against our plans for her to attend European culinary school, so that her future husband would always return home for dinner. But after awhile, we buckled to her pleas — after all, maybe a university education would give her lively conversation topics so that her future husband could talk about other things than work when he got home.

UCSB seemed an odd choice, and we didn't like the looks of Isla Vista (or modern-day Gomorrah, as Cookie now calls it), but we kept hearing that UCSB is a "prestigious university," always aiming toward "twin goals of diversity and excellence." How were we to know that our

YOU? WHAT HAVE THEY PUMPED INTO YOUR MIND AT THAT EVIL UNIVERSITY?" I bellowed, and then she cried and ran away, like women do. Sweet Grandmother almost had a heart attack right there at the dinner table, thanks to the trauma my daughter brought upon our house. But the ordeal was far from over.

I stormed upstairs after her, where she had locked herself in her room. Through the door, she had the nerve to call me "closed-minded" and "prejudiced," and no matter how loud I screamed and pounded on the door, she would not let me in. Finally, with the help of Uncle

ured out every possible way to tap the environment's plentiful resources. When Cookie and I told her that we wouldn't support her now-desecrated lifestyle or frivolous studies, she packed up her car and drove back to Santa Barbara before we could lock her in the basement again — and our precious little daughter hasn't been back home since.

In the years since that horrible time, we have only heard about our daughter through family friends, or the private investigator we hired to keep tabs on her — though after learning about the atrocious life she now leads, the weekly reports are almost too much to bear. When she returned to UCSB, she sold her car to pay for tuition, room and board, and when that money ran out, she took out college loans, probably using her "stash" as collateral. She has joined many extremist activist groups fighting for all sorts of hopeless causes, and she now associates with dirty degenerates who protest against authority figures, raising a ruckus every time our wise legislators allow new land development or oil drilling.

What's worse is how she has changed her appearance and demeanor. Until our baby left for UCSB, she always wore the latest fashions; Cookie has a fine sense of fashion. Now she wears *thrift store* clothing — I reel with disgust when I consider what grime she's exposing her skin to. In high school, she knew to avoid anyone who thought or looked different than her; now she converses and cavorts with people from *all* walks of life, no matter how backward their heritage. She even has an impure, "multiracial" boyfriend now — the shame, the shame.

And as for the rest of her life? She has no plans to stop smokin' dope — in fact, she worked on the campaign to pass that evil Proposition 215 last year. Miraculously, she has kept a respectable gpa (Cookie thinks she sleeps with her professors) because she apparently wants to join the "Peace Corps," to return to that same insignificant Third World nation we sent her to in high school — only now she wants to build clinics and *latrines* for those weakling natives. What can we do? It's her life she's throwing away.

Why couldn't our daughter resist temptation? Had she only waited a couple of years, she could have started drinking alcohol recreationally, like the rest of the family. And that would've been *legal*, unlike the Devil Weed. Now, because of the shame our drug-addicted daughter has brought upon us, Cookie and I have had to triple our prescriptions for Prozac, Tui-nal, Amytal, Demerol, quaaludes, Valium and amyl nitrate to relieve the stress. What's worse, I've regained my smoking habit, back to two packs a day — but at least tobacco is safe, or the government wouldn't allow it.

So freshmen, *beware!* As a new UCSB student, you are sure to encounter the Devil Weed, and only those of iron will can resist. Don't let what happened to our daughter happen to you — *beware that Devil Weed!!!*

A. Dick Parrent asked Nexus Daily Friday Magazine Editor Nick Robertson to place this column in the Orientation Issue.



daughter's enrollment at UCSB would cause her life's downfall?

Within a few weeks of her moving into the residence halls, we noticed a change in our daughter. Apparently, some of the new friends she had made were from different backgrounds than her, with different beliefs and opinions. Although we feared for her safety, we trusted our daughter to make the Right Choices — and that was our biggest mistake.

She stopped using the bleached cardstock stationery we gave her for writing letters home; now she only wanted to use dirty *recycled* paper. On weekend visits, she insisted on carpooling with others to save gas, not caring that the filthy trousers of her "friends" might stain her Mercedes' leather upholstery. And then came the worst insult of all — at Christmas dinner, she decided that she didn't want to eat any of the holiday ham, turkey, roast beef, venison or duck, claiming that she was becoming a "vegetarian." Well, that was enough for me and Cookie!

Right there, in front of the entire extended family, we confronted her about the problem. "WHAT IS WRONG WITH

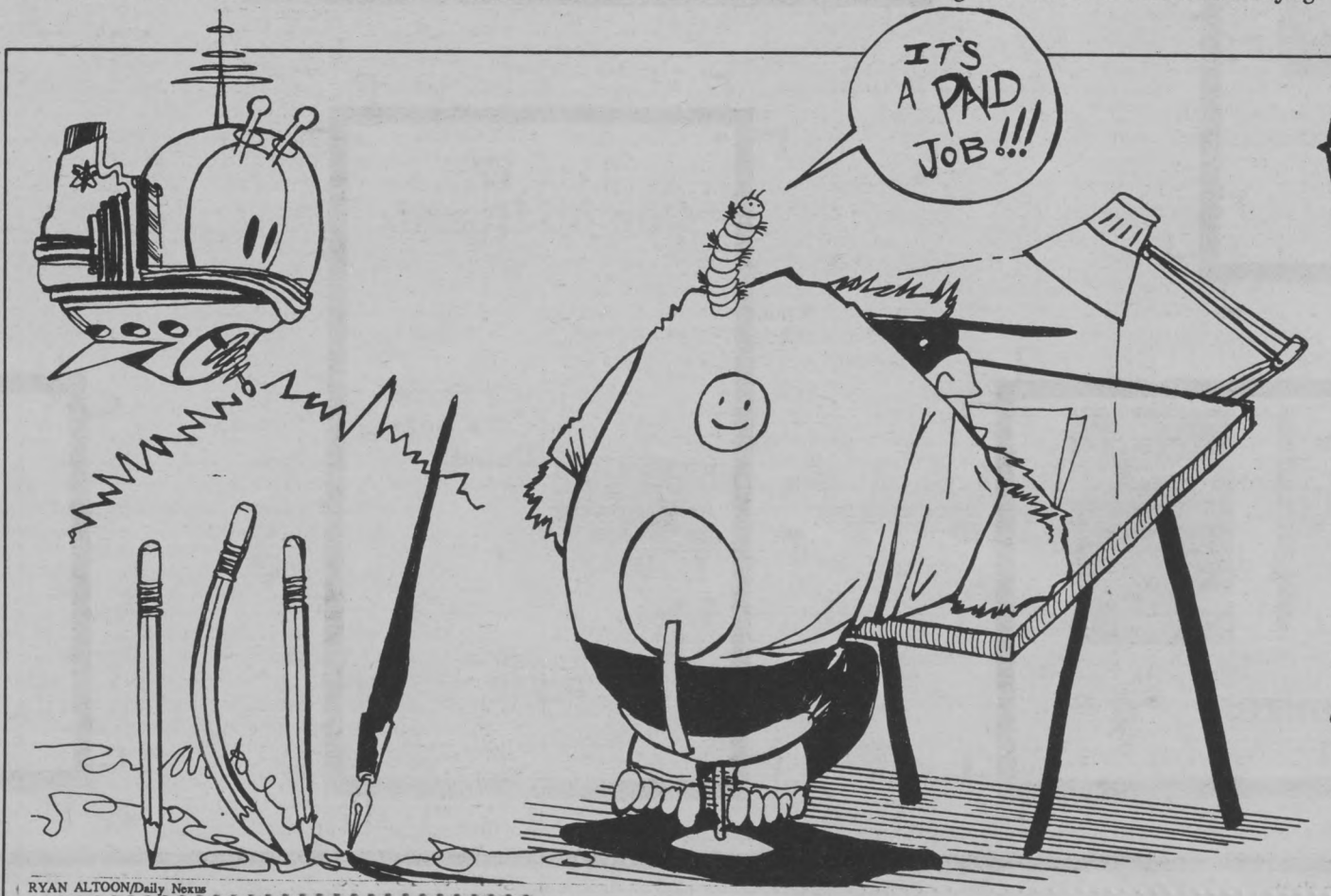
Adolph, we bashed the door in with a couch, and what we found inside changed our family forever.

Sitting in the open window, eyes wide with fear, our daughter was smoking a Marihuana cigarette — a "joy stick," a "rainy-day woman," the dreaded *reefer*. Suddenly, it all became clear.

Holding her up against the wall, we demanded answers — who had started her on this depraved road? How long had she been a "day tripper"? From whom had she begged or stolen to support her drug habit?

My daughter could only cry, knowing the shame she had brought upon us, screaming "Put me down! You're hurting me!" We put her down, all right — down in the basement for the rest of Winter Break, so that she could dry out from her horrific addiction.

Later she told us that she had been smoking the Devil Weed for over two months, and that it had changed her "perspective." She no longer wanted to attend culinary school, she wanted to become an "environmental studies" major — as though modern science hasn't already fig-



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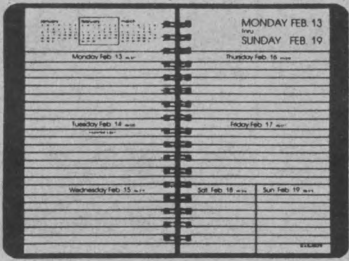
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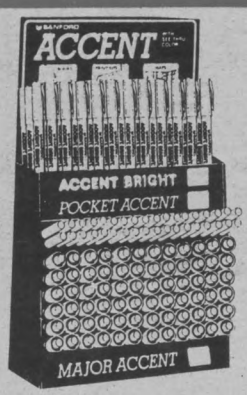
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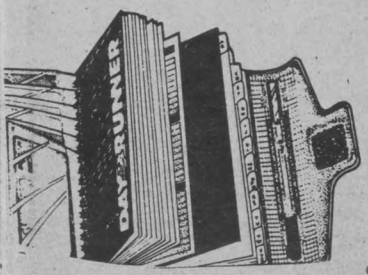
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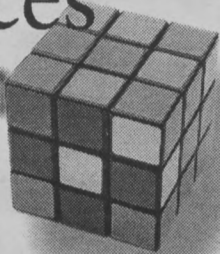
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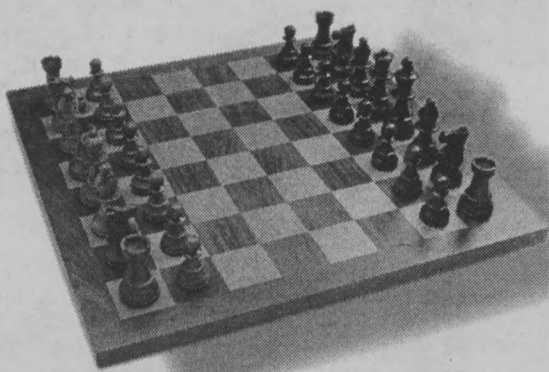


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survey, the university's achievements were not unforeseen, according to Thompson.

"There weren't really any surprises this year," she said.

However, UCSB Chancellor Henry T. Yang feels the university should have placed higher on the survey charts.

"I believe that we are better than we were ranked by this magazine," he said in a statement issued to the *Daily Nexus*. "In a recent survey by Graham and Diamond entitled *The Rise of American Research Universities*, UCSB ranked nationally as the No. 2 public research university."

Simultaneous to the institution's rapid rise in academic clout is the school's dramatic decline in its party-school status.

The university has fallen off the *Princeton Review's* charts for party schools, which named UCSB the third-biggest party school in 1995, a notion which the Isla Vista Foot Patrol feels is due to

new Santa Barbara County ordinances, according to IVFP Sgt. Jim Dollar.

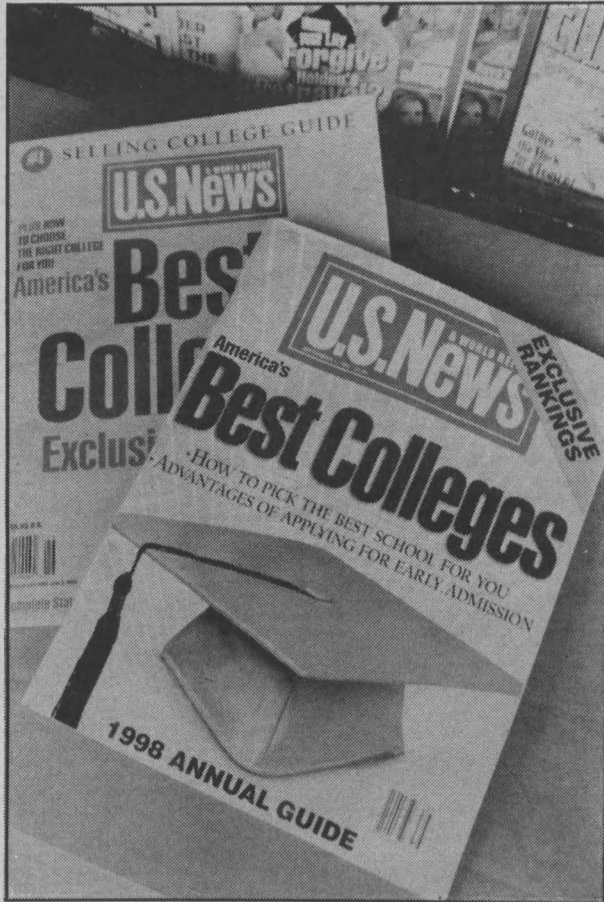
"I've noticed that UCSB's dropped in the party rankings, but I don't know if that's so much our doing or the [county's]. For the last few years we've had [county] ordinances such as the music ordinance which says the music must be turned off by 10 p.m. on weekdays and 12 a.m. on weekends," he said. "When the music shuts off, the alcohol shuts off."

Dollar feels other schools have taken UCSB's place on the rankings simply because they lack such laws and regulations.

"Some people don't really understand why we have such policies, but it really does have a good effect on the community. Some places just don't have these types of ordinances," he said.

Another reason the school's party rankings have dropped is due to a "no tolerance" policy that diminished Halloween's historical reputation as

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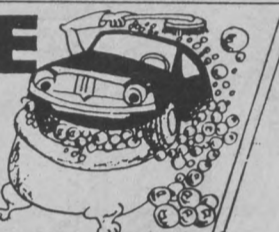
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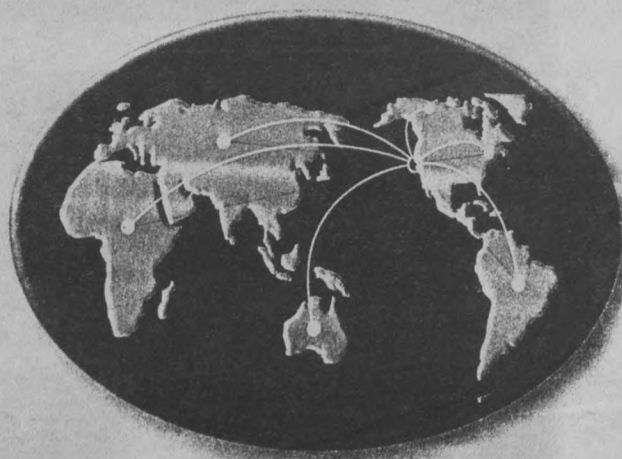
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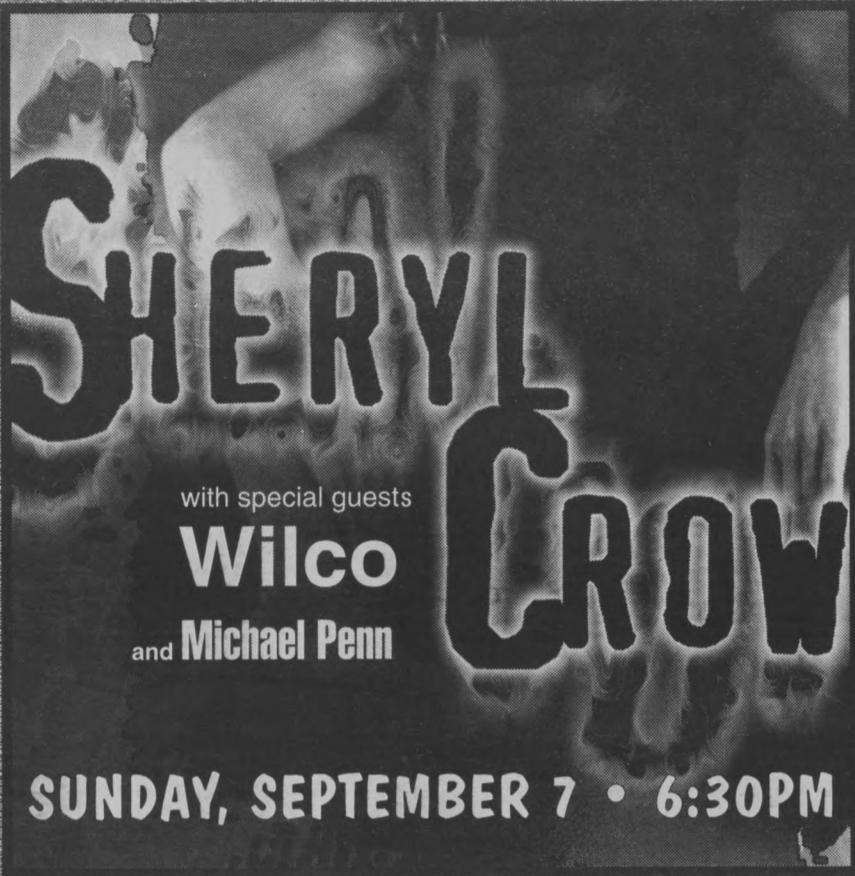
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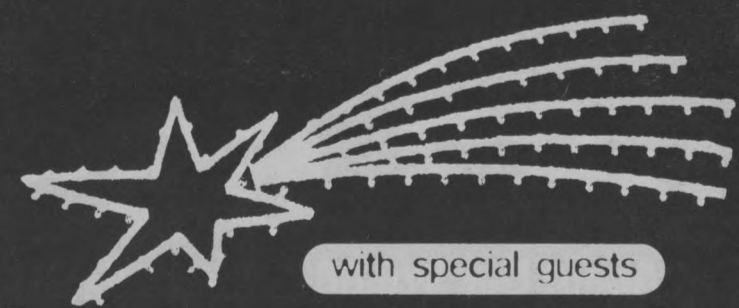
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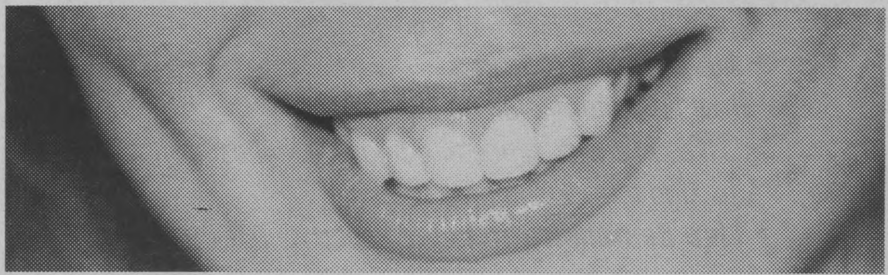
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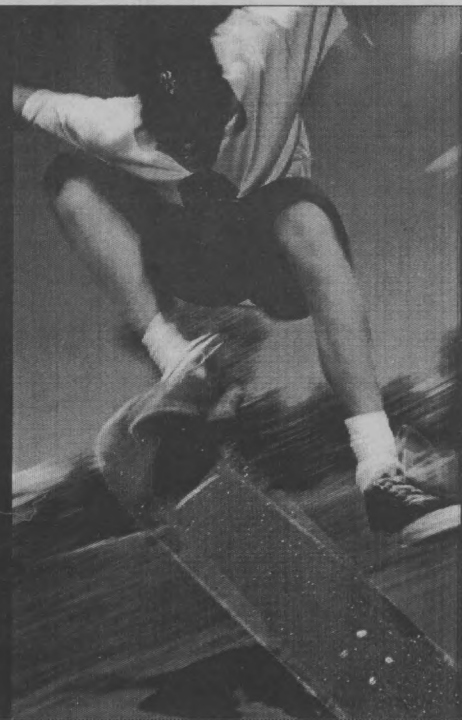


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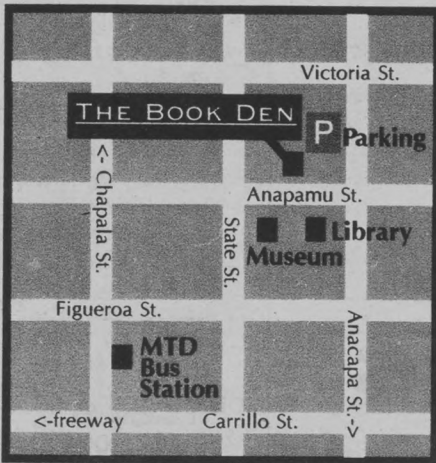
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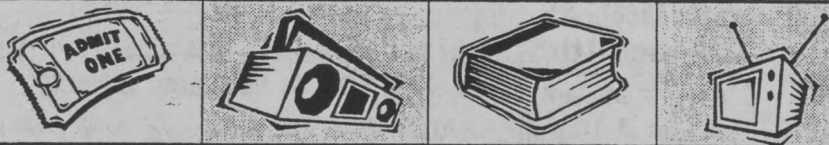
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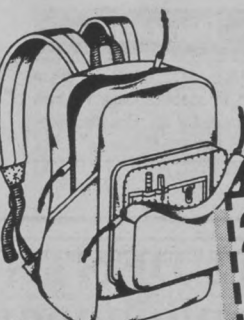
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UCSB's wildest night, Dollar said. Issued in 1993 and enforced on Halloween, the policy is a kind of one-strike rule where officers issue tickets instead of warnings on the first offense.

"A lot of it has to do with a 'no tolerance' policy. Also, we started cracking down on the outside traffic coming into I.V. When we have less people from out of town and such policies and ordinances, I guess it seems like less of a party school," he said.

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lax atmosphere. ... I would rather have people go back to their communities and say, 'Let's not go to Isla Vista. Let's party somewhere else,' because it's very expensive to have that kind of [police] operation."

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UCSB faces a parking shortage. This will not come as news to those who have spent time looking for a place to put their car.

Part of the solution will be the 903 space Campus Parking Structure presently under construction near the intersection of Mesa and University Roads. This will be the first parking structure on the UCSB campus. It has been designed with both aesthetics and functionality in mind.

The parking structure will provide greatly improved access to the campus core. As part of a plan to create a more inviting and hospitable entryway for campus guests, University Road will be moved north to the bluffs, and a campus gateway and turnaround will be created, providing an easy and clearly marked point of entry to the campus. The road relocation and the new parking structure will yield 1900 spaces directly

Hall, South Hall, Girvetz Hall, and Snidecor Hall. Work includes the renovation of classrooms, offices, labs, and other spaces, seismic upgrading for all renovated buildings, and asbestos abatement in renewed areas.

Space is being reconfigured and reassigned to provide more efficient quarters for many departments and com-

for the future. You'll receive frequent updates on what's happening around campus. Watch for them everywhere.

What You Can Do

- Follow all posted and any verbal instructions.
- Report any apparent safety issues immediately.



An architect's rendering of the new 903 space Parking Structure.

munications systems will be upgraded to meet future needs for telephone and computer capabilities.

Engineering 1

Engineering 1 will receive a seismic upgrade to improve its earthquake rating. The work will include the construction of additional shear walls, the strengthening of major structural elements, and some interior renovation. During the renewal process electrical capacity and distribution will be increased and enhanced, and asbestos will be abated in renewed areas.

Energy Conservation Measures

ECon2 is a campuswide effort to increase energy efficiency which will bring state-of-the-art technology to lighting, heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, and other energy-intensive systems. More than a mile of pipeline carrying chilled water will link the major buildings, improving the energy efficiency of their cooling systems. A centralized, computer-controlled energy management system will minimize energy consumption in most campus buildings. These conservation measures will save an estimated 23 million kilowatt hours of electricity and almost 250,000 therms of gas in just the first year after installation.

Re•NEW•All

There's a lot going on. Some work has already been completed, some is in progress, and even more will begin within the next few months. Taken together, these projects are a campus renewal, so we've dubbed the entire effort Re•NEW•All. When you see the Re•NEW•All signs or logo anywhere, you will know there's a project underway that's building a better U — for you, and

- There will be construction-related truck traffic on all campus roads. Be careful when walking, jogging, bicycling, or driving.
- Do not linger unnecessarily in or around construction areas.
- Help by sharing information, reporting problems, following directions, and being "safety aware" at all times.

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

In an effort to reduce campus parking demand, air pollution, traffic congestion, and the stress and cost of commuting, Parking Services at UCSB has developed the Transportation Alternatives Program which includes the following:

- Bicycle Commuter Program
- Student Bus Pass Program
- Faculty/Staff Bus Commuter Program
- Carpool Program
- Clean Air Express
- Vanpool Program

For more information come by the Parking Services office, or contact Mindy Norris at 893-2917, or e-mail: po03norr@ucsbvm.ucsb.edu (PROF:MN)

Contact!

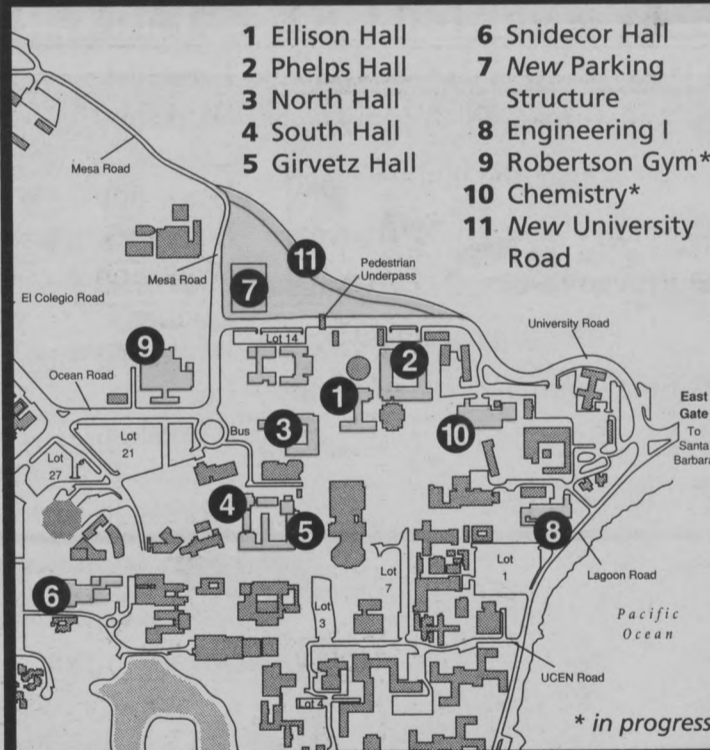
Have a question? See a problem? Trying to find an office that's been relocated? We're here to help:

Construction Info: 893-5454
Parking Helpline: 893-PARK
E-mail: "NEW" on PROFS or FM00rnew@ucsbvm.ucsb.edu



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Construction Sites



to make certain everyone knows what is happening where, when, and why.

Safety has priority over convenience. Because much of what is being done is renovation rather than new construction, many projects will take place on, over, under, or in spaces where people are working. This creates a high need for vigilance and cooperation.

If an area is closed, it's because the construction team has determined that the work in progress is hazardous to non-construction personnel. Your cooperation in respecting closures, and in watching for posted or unposted hazards

adjacent to the most frequently used campus buildings, while improving safety by reducing the need to cross a heavily traveled thoroughfare.

Humanities and Social Sciences Renovations (HSSR)

Many campus buildings are being prepared for the important role they will play in educating students into the next century. That means creating a learning environment that is safe, attractive, contemporary, and energy efficient.

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Test 1	Sat., Oct. 11	9:00am	Games 4	Sun., Nov. 2	7:00pm
Games 1	Sun., Oct. 12	7:00pm	Arguments 4	Tues., Nov. 4	7:00pm
Arguments 1	Tues., Oct. 14	7:00pm	Read. Comp. 4	Thurs., Nov. 6	7:00pm
Read. Comp. 1	Thurs., Oct. 16	7:00pm	Chapter 5A	Tues., Nov. 11	7:00pm
Games 2	Sun., Oct. 19	7:00pm	Chapter 5B	Thurs., Nov. 13	7:00pm
Arguments 2	Tues., Oct. 21	7:00pm	Chapter 6A	Tues., Nov. 18	7:00pm
Read. Comp. 2	Thurs., Oct. 23	7:00pm	Chapter 6B	Thurs., Nov. 20	7:00pm
Games 3	Sun., Oct. 26	7:00pm	Chapter 7A	Tues., Nov. 25	7:00pm
Arguments 3	Tues., Oct. 28	7:00pm	Chapter 7B	Tues., Dec. 2	7:00pm
Read. Comp. 3	Thurs., Oct. 30	7:00pm	Final Review	Thurs., Dec. 4	7:00pm

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CAT Class	Wed., Oct. 15	6:00pm
Class 3	Mon., Oct. 20	6:00pm
Test 2	Sat., Oct. 25	9:00am
Class 4	Mon., Oct. 27	6:00pm

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Lecture 2	Sun., Sept. 28	6:00pm
Workshop 2	Wed., Oct. 1	6:00pm
Lecture 3	Sun., Oct. 5	6:00pm
Workshop 3	Wed., Oct. 8	6:00pm
Lecture 4	Sun., Oct. 12	6:00pm
Workshop 4	Wed., Oct. 15	6:00pm
Lecture 5	Sun., Oct. 19	6:00pm
Workshop 5	Wed., Oct. 22	6:00pm
Lecture 6	Sun., Oct. 26	6:00pm
Workshop 6	Wed., Oct. 29	6:00pm

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