Same Ol' Stuff

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Board Hopefuls Begin Race for Student Vote

■ Contenders Utilize Variety of Tactics, Styles

By Michael Ball Staff Writer

They've attended candidate forums in Buellton, kissed babies in Solvang and stumped for votes in Santa Ynez — and now the contestants for 3rd District Santa Barbara County Supervisor are coming to Isla Vista.

As the March 26 primary draws closer, all four hopefuls — Carol Anders, Willy Chamberlin, Grace Florez and Gail Marshall — say they will begin vigorously courting the Isla Vista/UCSB vote.

Marshall, who meets weekly with students in front of the UCen, will soon begin more aggressive campaigning in I.V.

"We're tabling in Isla Vista and on campus during the week," she said. "We're going to be going door to door and leafleting in I.V."

Florez, a Santa Barbara School Board member, has been walking precincts in Goleta on weekends and said she intends to do the same in I.V. in coming

days.
"I do some precinct walking on Saturdays," she said. "I have plans to come out to I.V. soon."

While door-to-door contact is a common stumping staple, candidates also turn to other avenues to gain contact with student voters.

Chamberlin met last week with students from greek houses and club sports teams over pizza and drinks in I.V. The one-to-one interaction has been helpful in illuminating the issues, according to the Santa Ynez rancher.

"They're glad to see there's one of the supervisor candidates who's there," Chamberlin said. "A couple of major things that

have come up are the feeling of safety in Isla Vista — street lighting is a concern."

But treating interested students to food and beverage amounts somewhat to a bribe of voters, according to Kappa Kappa Gamma member Melanie Water, whose sorority Chamberlin visited and invited to the pizzafest

"All I remember is that he was wearing a big belt buckle," said Water, a junior sociology major. "He seemed very conservative. I didn't go to his mixer, my votes can't be bought."

One of the more effective ways to contact large groups of student voters at once is through the greek system, according to Anders, a former Solvang mayor who tables in front of the UCen each Wednesday.

"We have attempted to make contact with fraternities and sororities," she said. "If they want us to come, then we're more than happy to, but we're not going to force ourselves on them."

Visiting greek houses helps keep students informed and involved in the issues surrounding I.V., according to Danielle Finkel, Kappa Kappa Gamma junior sociology major.

"Overall I think it is good he came because he is getting students involved in politics," she said

Student concerns have thus far been clustered around a number of themes, according to Marshall.

"Each have concerns over housing conditions, parking, police — though another that has come up is the overcrowding at I.V. School," she said.

Anders, Chamberlin and Marshall all expect to meet with As-

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Isla Vista Tropical Fish and Reptiles owner Kam Park displays a green iguana, which he says is among the store's most popular offerings. Despite their standoffish tendencies, reptilian creatures are in demand as student pets due to their easy-to-keep nature.

Coldblooded Pets Warm Students' Hearts

By Colleen Valles Staff Writer

While far from loving, snakes, skinks and terrapins are enjoying popularity as student pets due to their low maintenance and lack of emotional needs.

Reptiles and amphibians can provide education and interest for those who want a pet with little upkeep, according to Philip Brown, assistant curator for education at the Santa Barbara Natural History Museum

Natural History Museum.

"They will not give you any affection," he said.

"They are quiet and clean and fascinating animals."

Senior art history and art studio major Connie Maher, the proud owner of Vinny, an African fattailed gecko, said her lizard requires less attention than a dog, but believes it gives her just as

"They're usually not to be handled so much, but I think my lizard loves me, and I think he likes it when I touch him," she said. "He's like a dog."

These crawly critters, especially turtles, generally pose more of an attraction to adults than to children, who may find them boring, according to Joan Terrio, secretary/treasurer for the Santa Barbara-Ventura branch of the California Turtle and Tortoise Club.

"It's only a good pet for someone who is really interested and can take care of them," she said. "We don't recommend them for children because they're not that interesting."

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J.E. ANDERSON/Daily Nexu

Poet Gary Snyder addressed topics from ecology to American nomadism in a Wednesday evening appearance before a packed Campbell Hall audience.

UC Davis Writer Reads Selections to Packed House in Campbell Hall

By Amy Winter Staff Writer

One of the original voices of the Beat Generation read selections from his poetry and prose Wednesday for a Campbell Hall capacity crowd.

Gary Snyder, an UC Davis English professor, nature writer and Zen Buddhism student, interspersed selections from his writings with his beliefs about ecology, ethics and his home in the Sierra Nevada foothills.

During readings from his book A Place in Space: Ethics, Aesthetics and Watersheds, Snyder related the workings of ecosystems to the troubled relationships humans have with each other.

"Ecosystems don't exclude anybody or anything as long as

they live well on the land," he said. "Watershed consciousness is ... a move to reconcile both nature and society."

Another recurring theme of the presentation, which included readings from several essays and poems, was the idea that place is crucial to human identity.

Snyder said the recent tendency of many people to stay longer in one location indicates they may be more likely to take part in local politics.

"The mobility that has characterized American life is coming to an end," he said. "Staying put could give participatory democracy a chance."

Much of the audience seemed impressed with both Snyder's topics and the turnout.

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HEADLINERS

Repressed-Memory Case to Be Retried

will get him exonerated.

REDWOOD CITY (AP) — George Franklin Sr., whose landmark murder conviction based on his daughter's repressed memories was overturned, made his first appearance Wednesday in the court where he will be retried.

Superior Court Judge Lawrence Stevens deemed Franklin indigent and agreed that the county would pay his legal bills for a second trial. Franklin will return to court Feb. 9 to set a date for his retrial.

Franklin, now 56, was found guilty in 1990 of killing his daughter's 8-year-old friend in 1969. Twenty years later, his daughter came forward, saying she suddenly remembered the crime.

But a federal judge last year overturned Franklin's conviction and life sentence because of judicial errors, prompting San Mateo County prosecutors to retry him. The judge's decision did not address the validity of repressed-

memory testimony.
Franklin's conviction

was the first in the nation based on such testimony and launched a debate on whether it should be used as evidence. Behind such testimony is the theory that the mind can store traumatic events in the subconscious, then let them surface years later.

Defense lawyer Douglas Horngrad, who also repre-

cused of killing Susan Nason, who disappeared from her Foster City neighborhood in 1969. Her body was later found in a ravine near the coastal town of Half Moon Bay.

Eileen Franklin-Lipsker told authorities in 1989 that she remembered seeing her father sexually

He's eager to get a fair trial because he knows a fair trial

> Douglas Horngrad defense attorney

sented Franklin during his first trial, noted that misgivings have been mounting since Franklin's conviction.

"Some have said this is the case that started repressed memory," he said. "And this could be the case that ends it."

Prosecutor Elaine Tipton declined to comment in detail on the case.

assault her friend and then beat her to death with a rock. She said the memories came flooding back when looking at her own daughter, who resembles her childhood friend. Last April, U.S. District

Judge D. Lowell Jensen threw out Franklin's conviction in a decision upheld last fall by a federal appeals court.

Jensen said the trial judge made two serious errors: barring defense evidence of news reports Franklin-Lipsker might have read and allowing jurors to find a confession in Franklin's silent response to an accusation made in jail.

After her father was arrested, Franklin-Lipsker visited him in jail and urged him to tell the truth. But he pointed silently to a sign saying conversations may be monitored.

Trial judge Thomas McGinn Smith told jurors that they could consider Franklin's silence as an admission of guilt. But Jensen said that instruction violated Franklin's constitutional right against self-incrimination.

Franklin, who is being held on \$1 million bail, is "anxious" for his second trial to start, Horngrad

"He's eager to get a fair trial because he knows a fair trial will get him exonerated," he said.

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Weather

So, you may have noticed that I didn't write so much yesterday. This was for two reasons, the first being that I had heard reports from the field that there were those of you Weather readers who believed that it was asking too much for you to read a whole three or four paragraphs each day. Normally, I would tell such people to get with it and ask what the hell they were doing in college if they can't stand a little reading now and again.

Fortunately, for some, I had reason number two. The less I write, the less I work. The less I work, the more I sleep. This last bit was especially important, because I had to get up early in the morning (early for me anyway) and phone in to see if my group number had been called up. That's right folks, jury duty calls. Now, of course, those of you who are still with me are no doubt expecting an account of the Weatherhuman's adventures through the American legal system. Maybe tomorrow — they didn't need my services yesterday. As you read this, however, I could be seated in some courtroom deciding the

fate of some poor soul. Tune in later this week. The heavy rain should be behind us, but expect light showers this morning. Moving forward in the day, winds of around 20 mph will be blowing things dry and cool. Lo: 46. High: 62.

Assisted Death Potentially Faulty, Study Claims

NEW YORK (AP) -Many Oregon doctors aren't sure they know enough to carry out a state law that would let them help terminal patients commit suicide, a study



Half of the doctors surveyed weren't sure what to prescribe for a

The findings reveal practical problems so fundamental that they should reopen the question of whether legalizing assisted suicide is a good idea, said study co-author Dr. Susan

Practical problems have

been largely overlooked in the debate, which has focused on philosophical issues, said Tolle, the director of the Center for Ethics in Health Care at the Oregon Health Sciences University in

Oregon voters passed the assisted-suicide measure in 1994, but it has not taken effect because of court rulings. It would have been the nation's first to allow a doctor to prescribe a lethal dose of medication when asked by a terminally ill patient.

Last March, researchers at the university mailed questionnaires to all Oregon doctors whose spe-cialties suggested they might handle suicide requests. They heard back from 70 percent, or a total of 2,761 doctors.

Among the findings,

published in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine:

• While the law says that only patients expected to live less than six months would be eligible, half the doctors said they weren't confident they could predict whether individual patients had less than six months left.

· While the law would require a referral to a mental health professional if the patient's judgment appeared to be influenced by depression or some other mental disorder, 28 percent of the doctors said they weren't sure they could recognize depression in a patient requesting a lethal prescription.

· Half the doctors said they weren't sure what they would prescribe. That "raises grave questions about the potential for in-

complete suicides in the absence of reliable pre-scribing information," researchers wrote. The law forbids a lethal injection if the prescription fails to

A failed suicide could leave the patient in worse shape than before.

"I think the practical problems that come up in the survey are fairly substantive, and in my mind forces the whole discussion back on the table on a fundamental level," said lead author Dr. Melinda

Arthur Caplan, director of the Center for Bioethics at the University of Pennsylvania, agreed.

"I think that people have acted cavalierly about some very tough issues with respect to ... implementation," he said.

Homeless Man Finds Own Shelter in On-Line Universe

SAN RAFAEL (AP) — Neal Berry has a laptop computer, a cellular phone, a screaming-fast modem and a slew of friends on the Internet.

About the only thing he doesn't have is a place to



live and a job.

"People don't understand why I chose to live on the streets, but I don't understand why they're willing to pay \$500 a month just for a place to live," he said. "All a house is, is a glorified cardboard

box." The 22-year-old thought he had it pretty good until last week, when someone abandoned an old car near his campsite under two freeways, bringing the Highway Patrol out to have a look.

What they found was Berry's tent, a mattress, some clothes and the juice that powered his computer gear: several heavyduty batteries taken from a state Transportation Dept. worksite nearby.

Berry was jailed on charges of theft and possession of stolen property, punishable by 90 days behind bars. On Wednesday, after five days in jail, he was released without bail, and prosecutors recommended him for a program that will allow him to keep the arrest off his record as long as he stays out of

Berry, who got his first taste of the on-line world at age 17 when a friend took him in for a while, chose to spend his money on computer gear rather than a home.

"With me, instead of watching TV six hours a day, I'm on-line, talking to real, live people," he said in a jailhouse interview.

Television Grizzly Recalled as Not Your Average Bear

PACIFICA (AP) - The little bear that trailed actor Dan Haggerty in the opening credits of the Grizzly Adams television series died Wednesday after a bout with cancer.

The 25-year-old Califor-



nia black bear, named

"She allowed me to be-

"Suzie," was recovered by hikers when she was a cub. Poachers had killed her mother and brother, according to Steve Karlin, a wildlife educator who adopted the bear a decade

come close to her and share her life. Although she possessed massive brute strength, Suzie was the kindest being I have

ever known," he said. Besides her television

credit, Suzie also played in the movie The Wilderness Family and appeared in more than 100 other films, Karlin said. She also visited thousands of Northern California schoolchildren in their classrooms.

"As we visited with children and adults, Suzie Bear left audiences with a newfound respect and understanding about the dignity, intelligence and unique qualities of wild creatures who share the planet with us," Karlin said.

Karlin, who runs Wildlife Associates, which cares for some 50 wild animals, said that Suzie had been diagnosed with breast cancer in 1994.

Surgery was performed and thought to have cured her of the disease, but she went into convulsions approximately a month ago and suffered deteriorating health in the remaining weeks of her life.

Leg Council Asserts Rights to Campus Buildings

By Tim Molloy and Michiko Takeda Staff Writers

Associated Students Legislative Council met Wednesday to issue calls for reclaiming the RecCen and the group's traditional meeting venue.

Some reps have expressed concern that individual students may be shut out of the RecCen if Intercollegiate Athletic teams continue their use of the facility, which began with a November meet by the campus diving team.

The council voted unanimously to support a measure authored by Off-Campus Rep Tom Beers criticizing such uses of the complex.

"It basically says that we're against intercollegiate teams and community groups in the RecCen," said On-Campus Rep Colin McCarthy.

The board continued laying claim to campus buildings with a vote changing their future meeting location to the

The council has met since fall in the sometimescramped Community Affairs Board office or Graduate Students Association Lounge, at the east end of the UCen. But last year's council used central UCen meeting rooms, which this year's members say are more spacious.

Off-Campus Rep Joy Mann said moving the meetings would allow for more orderly gatherings. "This isn't conducive to our needs," she said. "We have guest speakers who don't know where to turn to ad-

dress the group.' The CAB office, where the group met Wednesday, keeps students from attending and giving input, said On-

Campus Rep Allen Shiu.
"We speak of student empowerment," he said. "But this room clearly denies access ... and we're becoming an

Internal Vice President Bo Thoreen has criticized the UCen Governance Board for limiting student use of the facility and is organizing a future boycott of the building's businesses.

Some of Thoreen's criticisms stem from the board's summer stipulation that any groups holding meetings in

the building that go past 10 p.m. must pay a \$25 fee.

The board told Thoreen in November it would be willing to exempt Leg Council from the late fee and let the group meet until midnight.

But Thoreen, who schedules Leg Council's meetings, refused the compromise because he believes student groups should not need to pay for late-night meetings. He argues student money paid for the facility's initial

Wednesday's bill, authored by McCarthy, ordered Thoreen to accept the compromise despite his objections.

Some joined Thoreen in opposing the measure, including proxy Blinker Wood, campus office director.

"This issue is not about accepting a carrot that people are dangling in front of us," he said. "If we as a body accept that luxury ... that doesn't guarantee that other groups don't have to pay for that luxury."

But Derek Cole, external vice president, said the issue of other student groups wanting the UCen for late-night meetings could be invalid.

"How many groups other than Leg Council use the UCen after 10 p.m.?" he asked.

she said.

"So it makes it a little ea-Chamberlin's previous sier ... for people to talk to I.V. treks in 1992 — a race he won before a court decision handed current

Anders, who has two children who are UCSB graduates, finds the I.V. campaign activities an en-

lightening experience.
"I've really enjoyed it. For me it's been a really good experience for getUnless one candidate

obtains 50 percent of ballots cast on March 26, the top two vote getters will face off in November.

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Staff Writer Peter Sansom contributed to this story.

ing weeks to acquaint themselves with elected campus officials.

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sociated Students officers

and possibly address Legi-

slative Council in the com-

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"It shows there's still some culture left in California, and maybe even the school," said Jason Hilford, a junior physics major. Part of the event's appeal may have been the fact that it was free, he

spect of many," he said.

supervisor Bill Wallace a

12-vote victory - has increased student recogni-

tion and made this year's

"Now I do have the re-

efforts smoother.

Ventura resident Dale Carter said he has enjoyed Snyder's books on camp-

"I've been reading Gary

Snyder for probably the last 30 years. I love his stuff," he said. "I've been a Zen student — he's been a Zen student. I feel an affinity with him."

More than 200 people lined up afterward to have Snyder autograph copies

of his books.

UCSB Arts & Lectures coordinated the event. Susan Gwynne, manager of films and lectures for the organization, said she anticipated the turnout NET-ing a Job: Catching Career and Job Information on the Internet This workshop will introduce and demonstrate various online job resources, provide a list of job and career resources on the Web, and allow time for hands-on practice. THURSDAY, Feb. 1st 3-5pm TUESDAY, Feb. 6th 5-7pm Davidson Library, Room 1575 No registration necessary!

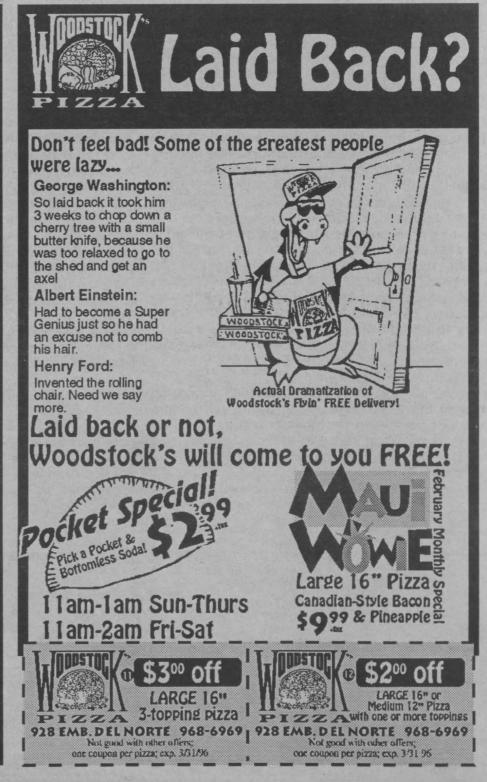
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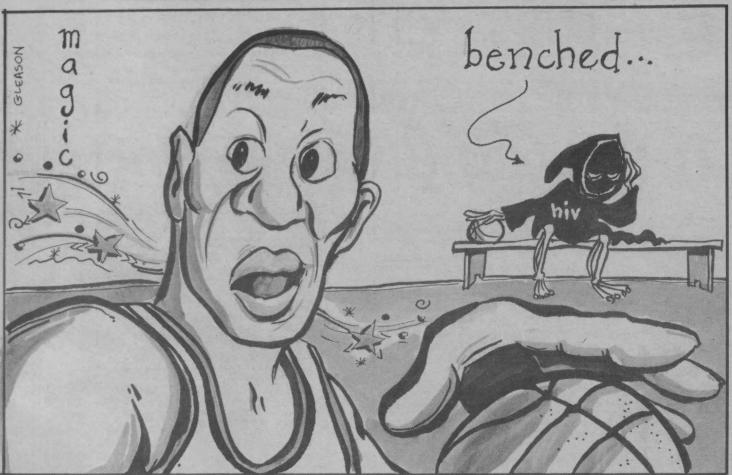




OPINION

"There can be only one."

-Connor MacLeod



He's Magic

Johnson's Return to the Basketball Court Is an Inspiration for All

Editorial

Tuesday night, in Los Angeles' Great Western Forum, over 17,500 fans roared with excitement as Earvin Johnson Jr. stepped onto the court to once again display his Magic.

The legendary passer who led the Lakers to five NBA championships in the '80s has returned to play after more than four years of forced retirement, following his HIV-positive diagnosis in 1991. Faced with a potentially severe physical illness and discrimination from other players, nobody thought Magic would ever return to the court.

Even after the public mourned the loss of Magic from the NBA, however, its attention never left him as he confronted the disease that, without a cure, eventually will claim his life. And now in his return to the game, Magic's victory stands as an inspiration to those who've seen him as a role model both as a basketball great and an aspiring survivor of HIV.

And Johnson's performance Tuesday proved not only that the athlete is back, but he's as good as he ever was. Magic thrilled a nationwide audience as he fell a mere two rebounds short of executing an impressive "triple-double," registering 19 points, 10 assists and 8 rebounds. His presence was without doubt a decisive factor in the Lakers' 128-118 victory over the Golden State Warriors.

But Johnson's appearance back on the floor represents a lot more than just the return of a great player to the game. By coming out of retirement, Magic has proven to everyone watching him that the HIV virus doesn't have to entirely disrupt life even if it entails battling for shooting position against a 7-foot behemoth.

Playing strong for a full 27 minutes, Magic awed

the crowd and proved he's still in control of the game. He proved that the game is where he belongs. When Johnson was first diagnosed with the disease, he wanted to continue playing until his condition was endangered by such strenuous activity. But many NBA pros refused to play with him, fearing his participation in the sport was a blatant hazard to their well-being. There was little doubt from players, fans or officials that he would retire immediately.

Now, objections are scarce to Johnson's return, and the discrimination he faced from his peers has diminished. Although the possibility of a blooddrawing injury always exists, the NBA has set up new safety procedures as protocol for all players a change precipitated by Magic's homecoming.

The welcome reception Magic received at his first game from both players and spectators illustrates that in the four years since he left, attitudes have begun to change: People are a little less afraid and more accepting of those infected with HIV.

Since learning of his infection, Magic has reached out to both children and adults, trying to increase education about AIDS. He helped to bring AIDS to the forefront of social awareness and exposed myths and stereotypes about the disease.

Magic pioneered a battle to allow NBA athletes to stay in the game — an achievement that might open the door for any other player who may someday turn out to be HIV-positive.

Johnson walked onto the court after his four-year hiatus as not only a leader to his team, but also to those who have watched his struggle with HIV and looked to him as a role model. His determination has made his tragedy a symbol of hope.

The Reader's Voice

Grizzlies Galore

Editor, Daily Nexus:
Usually, when you or I make a decision, we envision our future after the decision has been made. We are motivated by the desire to be satisfied not just tomorrow, but in the long run.

Unfortunately, many of the men and women representing our voices within the government are not merely ignoring the future but ignoring every other form of life as well. For those I am talking about, the strategy seems to be: Act Now, for Us, not for our children and not for those "nonhumans" we share the planet with.

We have already sacrificed 50 percent of our wetlands, 90 percent of our ancient forests and still Congress is trying to weaken the Endangered Species Act, handing over the fate of countless species of plants and animals to one person, the Secretary of the Interior. We have once again placed ourselves on the highest pedestal, giving our species the power to decide what has the right to life, and what doesn't. Look around, notice ... it's not just us.

I am happy that you are reading this article, but please don't just read it and simply reassure yourself that you really do care about our Mother Earth. If even half of the 83 percent of Americans who consider them-selves environmentalists actually let their voices be heard, we might be able to envision a future of not just humans but one filled with redwoods and roaming grizzlies.

The decisions are being made now, for us. Let your representatives know that you don't want your children looking up wolves and otters in history books. Ask them to join you in a celebration of diversity and urge them to protect the Endangered Species Act. It's all about respect.

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Plaid and Proud

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I opened up my beloved Daily Nexus last Tuesday in hope of finding some shelter from the occasionally oppressive forces here at UCSB by losing myself in the literary stylings of William Yelles, the Weatherperson, maybe even catching an opinion from a

die-hard "Recall Leo" activist.

Barring that, I hoped maybe I would at least find shelter in (or under) the paper from that ever-unpredictable rain. What I found, however, was an article upon which I wouldn't even house-train a puppy.

As I read Rich Birecki's article (Daily Nexus, "How (Almost) Everything Relates to the First Amendment," Jan. 30), I felt a slow nausea a-brewin'. Dismissing it as an effect of merely reading the name "Rush Limbaugh," I kept reading. What I found was as offensive as that portly ditto-head in



a thong bikini. I am referring to Rich's assault on plaid.

I am a Scottish-American, and much of my family's history is contained in clan tartans (read: plaid). I, myself, am a member of three highland clans and two lowland clans. Brought together, there are no less than 10 different tartans that I can claim, with the Colquhoun (Calhoun) clan represented by three that I can identify and the Campbell clan by four.

These tartans are rich in history, folklore, tradition and heritage. There are different tartans for region, dress and hunting. They

Doonesbury









BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Enrollment Code Thief Makes Life Hell

Mathew Walk

"The world is a weird place." Indeed it is, but it's not the answer I expected to hear when I told my professor that another student had used my approval code to enroll in his class dishonestly.

There I was, with the approval code in my hand, stoked that I was going to get into this class that too many people had tried to crash. I felt lucky because the professor had already given out all of his approval codes, but he managed to save a few for those of us with special circumstances. So of course it was a shocker when I called RBT to enroll

in the class and I was told the code I had was an "invalid code." After repetitive and furious attempts of making sure I had entered the right code, I contacted my professor and explained what had happened. His answer was that he had no more approval codes and that I would have to go to the department for resolution. Blues Traveller's "Run Around" began to echo in my head, and this was just the beginning. I called the undergraduate adviser and explained my situ-

ation. She knew that there had been problems with students stealing approval codes, especially since so many students wanted to crash the class, particularly for its reputation of being "a breeze."

Because the department does not use petitions anymore,

professor and department personnel, as well as a frequent flyer package I might need for all the miles usually accompanied with the quest to acquire all the signatures. However, the College of Letters and Science, with their Rules til it is indeed too late to add any classes. So much for the

So, 20 steps or so directly beneath the Office of the College of Letters and Science is the always helpful Office of the Registrar. Here I had the pleasant experience of being helped by someone who spoke 10 words for every one word I tried to speak. I showed her the approval code that had

and the list of registered students up onto the computer screen, answering all of her own questions but none of

The computer did show the students who had added the course and the approval codes they had used to do so. Lo and behold, my code had been used. I was told that my professor must have given out duplicate approval codes (@#&?!). I double-checked to make sure I was actually in the Registrar's Office and that she was working in the right

Duplicate approval codes??? I noticed that the person who used my code, whose name and perm number were in clear view for us to admire, had added it three days after I was given the approval code by the professor. A block on my BA/RC account had prevented me from adding the class any sooner, but how could this student have gotten the same code as I?

For those of us who have had to sign an approval code list, it's a known fact that the same approval code is located on both sides of the line where one signs their name. Students are given one copy of the code that easily tears off from the page, but a duplicate of the same number also remains on the page itself. It's obvious that someone must have seen these numbers and called RBT before the rest of us nonsuspecting students had a chance.

But, back to my helpful companion in the Office of the Registrar. She suggested I confront the student who used my code and ask her how and why she did so. In other words, it was not her problem and she had already called out "Next!" before I had a chance to further my cause. So I headed to the appropriate department for at least a small amount of help, with the person's name who had used my

I started to feel good that I had at least found out that someone had used my code. But the undergraduate adviser told me that it would be up to the professor to decide the appropriate action to be taken. She assured me that I could bring the petition in after the deadline and I would still be able to add the class.

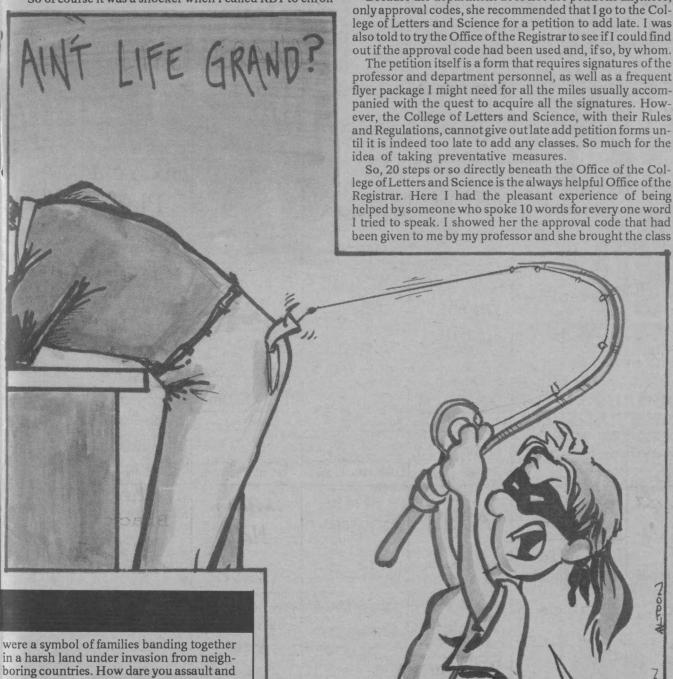
Ready to cash in on my frequent flyer miles as well as resolve this whole ridiculous matter, I went to my professor's office. He told me that he would rather not get involved, but that he would sign the petition to add if I brought it to him. Sure, he was "sorry." But after all, "the world is a weird place." I agreed and left dumbfounded, not knowing what to say in response.

Well, I know what to say now — it's all bullshit! The University of California, Santa Barbara General Catalog clearly states that "any act of academic dishonesty, such as ... cheating, is unacceptable and will be met with disciplinary action." Not only is this a clear example of academic dishonesty, but it is also a violation of personal conduct that the university claims is grounds for investigation "by appropriate officials."

But to me, it's a clear example of people being too lazy to get involved or take the initiative to do something about this kind of crap. Is it because this might affect the good standing of this university that teachers, faculty and staff don't want to be the ones who uncover something that could prove otherwise?

Well, I hate to have to be the one who recognizes this fact, but this is a simple crock of shit that no one wants to stick their ladle into and stir. Sure, I have the student's name and could call or confront them with this, but I should not have to enforce a policy for the university that they obviously can't enforce themselves.

Mathew Walk is a junior psychology major.



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I pity the fool who calls it a skirt.

CAMERON CALHOUN PLATT

Healthy Eating

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am writing on behalf of the UCSB Peer Health Educators and also as a concerned student. The week of Feb. 5-9 is Eating Disorders Awareness Week and I would like to inform my peers of an epidemic that has hit our society in the past 10 years or so.

Eating disorders are prevalent on our campus, and it seems that every time I turn around I meet someone who is caught up in this unfortunate sickness, including myself.

I speak from the heart when I say that I feel for each and every male and female dealing with an eating disorder. Unfortunately, we are not alone; approximately 50 percent of UCSB women have an eating disorder (the statistic for males is not yet available).

I guess I should define an eating disorder. There is a wide range of eating disorders and each type has a set of diagnostic criteria. My goal is to give a general idea. If you are concerned about a friend, family member or yourself, ask yourself these few

1. Is there an abnormal relationship with food and the body?

2. Is food used as a means to deal with difficult emotions?

3. Is there a preoccupation with food due to calorie restriction?

4. Is exercise used in such a way that "calorie burning" and "weight loss" become the only reasons for exercising?

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RYAN ALTOON/KEVIN GLEASON/Daily Nexus

These questions are just a guide. If you have answered "yes" to any of these, it is important to seek help. UCSB has one of the best eating disorder programs in the coun-



try and is located in the Student Health Services

I encourage anyone who is concerned about a friend or oneself to call Student Health for an appointment with an eating disorder counselor at 893-3371. It was probably the best thing I ever did!

HEIDI TINSLEY

The rules for writing for Nexus Opinions are: 1- All columns must be less than three pages

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Both aquatic turtles and land-dwelling tortoises are better for those who want an animal they can observe more than cuddle, according to Terrio.

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"I wouldn't really say they are pets," she said. "I'd say they're more of an interest to people. You're not supposed to handle them. You set them up in the backyard in a natural environment and that's

Reptiles and amphi-

bians require little attention and are relatively inexpensive to care for, according to Village Pets store manager Jeff Yost.

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"It's just a matter of proper housing," he said. Then after that you just feed them, water them and clean up after them.'

Snakes and turtles are popular choices for pets, Yost added. But Isla Vista Tropical Fish and Reptile store owner Kam Park said green iguanas are popular items at his shop, where he also carries very rare lizards.

"Right now I've got three of the four different types of leaf-tailed geckos from Madagascar," he said. "They're going to be on the endangered species list soon."

Selling the uncommon geckos will not put them in greater danger of extinction, but will actually help their numbers, according to Park.

"They're usually sold to people who are going to breed them," he said. "They're pushing conservation through captive breeding."

Many lizards, snakes, turtles and toads native to California are protected by strict laws, according to

'There's a number of reptiles and amphibians, especially locally, that are protected by state law," he said. "We probably have more protection for reptiles than other states do."

One protective provision prevents animals native to California from being removed from the state to be sold, Brown said. Many of these animals were originally not allowed to be sold in-state either, but the policy has since been changed, according to Brown.

"The Fish and Game Dept. has allowed people with a special permit from them to sell rosy boas, gopher snakes and king snakes," he said.

Most of the reptiles and amphibians found in pet stores are bred in captivity, according to Park.

"Most of our fish and reptiles come through wholesalers and distributors in L.A.," he said.

Continued from p.8 Big West in assists per

game (6.7), behind UCI's Raimonds Miglinieks (8.1), who leads the nation

in that category. Turner handed out a career-high

12 assists in the UCSB win

straight games

DJAMEL RAMOUL/Daily No

The decorative purposes depicted by I.V. Tropical Fish and Reptiles employee Amir Ehyar are but a few of the reasons for student ownership of reptiles and amphibians. Owners agree that they're clean, quiet and go with everything from jeans to tuxedos.

"They get them from stuff that's sold through breeders or wherever they're being caught or

Although some believe snakes, skinks and scorpions pose a serious threat to their well-being, they are actually quite benign, according to Yost.

"For the most part, the [scorpions] we carry aren't going to kill you unless you have an allergic reaction," he said.

But some turtles kept in unclean water could pass a bacteria to those who handle them, according to Terrio.

"Some of the water turtles can pass on sal-monella," she said. "It's really bad, yucky water that gets it on the turtle."

Escaped or released creatures popping up in unexger either, according to Yost.

"Eighty percent of the

Wallace has produced six double-doubles this season, but more impressively has scored 10 or more points in 14 straight games. He is also among the Big West leaders in blocks and rebounds per

The one stat that has been subpar for the Gauchos this year has been attendance. I can't understand why only about 3,000 people go to home games, when this here, if it got out here it's not going to survive," he

Some survivors can endanger native animal populations, while others are harmless or have effects that have not been ascertained yet, according to Brown.

"For instance, the redeared turtle, we have probably more of those in our lakes and ponds than our own turtles," he said. "The bullfrog had been let go here deliberately in the 1800s as a food source, and [ever since] they've been eating up the native frogs.

Despite his diet of pink mice and crickets, Maher is not planning on letting Vinny, her gecko of three

years, go. "He's cute," she said. "He knows who I am. He knows when it's feeding time."

team used to draw 5,000 on a regular basis. This is an exciting team to watch because of its shooting proficiency and its ability to win the close games.

If UCSB wins tonight and jumps into first place, though, this final statistic will certainly improve when archrivals New Mexico State and UNLV respectively visit the Thunderdome next Thursday and Saturday nights.

at San Jose last Saturday and has dished off 10 or more assists in three

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O'Brien, who is coming off knee surgery, was Santa Barbara's other starting pitcher last season, compiling a 3.31 ERA. A new face in the pitching rotation will be Ontiveros — a junior college transfer who earned All-American status last season at Chabot Junior College.

"She had a real solid year at the JC level last year and we just need her to step her game up at this level," Kelly said. "She's a big offensive threat and has the capability to really hit the ball hard. It is also really nice to have that third pitcher on our pitching staff."

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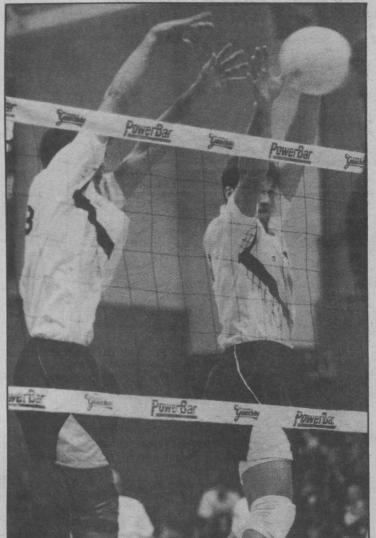
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SPORTS



BLOCK PARTY: Mowing down foes on a quest for the national title, the #4 UCSB men's volleyball team defeated #9 UC Irvine on Thursday night in a four-game match.

#4 V-Ball Rolls Past #9 Anteaters in Four Games; UCLA Is Next for SB

■ Harris, Treahy and Chapman Pace Gaucho Squad to Convincing Victory

By Michael Cadilli Staff Writer

Ninth-ranked UC Irvine was just another bump in the road in #4 UCSB's drive for a national championship as the Gauchos were able to take care of the Anteaters in four games Wednesday night at Robertson Gym.

Although Santa Barbara rolled in the last two games, giving up only nine points total, the win for UCSB was by no means flawless, as Irvine took game two in the 15-8, 7-15, 15-7, 15-2 Gaucho

As a team, UCSB (3-1 overall, 3-0 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation) outhit UCI .413 to .303 for the match, but the Gauchos hit only .163 to UCI's .386 in game two, and the Anteaters (4-3, 0-3 in the MPSF) were able to turn it up a notch and snatch the game. Twice during the game, UCSB was called for being in the net as well as twice for illegal sets, while Irvine put the ball away when it needed to.

'The calls went both ways, I can't really blame anything on the refs. They just dug some balls in key situations and transitioned them off the block," said junior outside hitter Donny Harris. "That'll happen in volleyball, you can't beat every team every game. Over five games the better team

Despite the lull in that second game, the Gauchos seemed to remain focused.

I think we're getting things together more," said senior outside hitter Morgan Chapman. "Our morale has to be a little bit better coming out, but I think we're working things out." sided of Once again Harris led Santa Barbara's offensive games."

attack with 25 kills hitting at a .341 clip, but he also had 10 errors — the most for a player on either squad. In game four, Harris had 11 kills, helping the Gauchos to hit .654 in the game.

"By the third and fourth games the match had al-

most been decided. By the beginning of the third game we took over and showed them we were the better team," Harris said.

Chapman was not to be outdone, however, because right from his first kill in game one that put UCSB up 1-0, he was the go-to guy when Santa Barbara needed a sideout. Chapman seemed to be there every time the Gauchos were in trouble as he hit .682 on the night with 16 kills and only one

"This is the second match in a row that he's had outstanding statistics. I think he had only one error last game against Loyola," said Santa Barbara Head Coach Ken Preston. "He's been playing very, very well. Let's just hope it carries over to the

Bruins on Saturday night."

Junior middle blocker Rob Treahy had a solid night as well, posting 21 kills, the second most on the Gaucho squad while hitting at .563.

The Anteaters' 6'10" middle blocker Chris Har-

ger led his team on offense with 18 kills (.424) and on defense as well with seven digs.

As a team the Gauchos got to many more balls as they amassed 55 digs to UCI's 29. However, Preston indicated that he was not fully satisfied with his squad's defensive play.

"I don't think we did a great job on defense, but give them credit because they passed the ball pretty well," he said. "We didn't block a whole lot - they sided out pretty well with us in the first two

Santa Barbara Hopes to Put On Hit Parade in 1996 **Softball Season Preview**

By Alex Nugent Staff Writer

Coming off a rebuilding season in which they went 23-35 overall and 10-22 in the Big West, the UCSB women's softball team, which begins its 1996 season at home this Saturday at 1 p.m. against Cal State Northridge, is poised to improve last season's mark and be a conference contender.

Although the Gauchos fin-ished with a less than .500 record overall and a seventhplace Big West finish, they did manage to put things together at the end of the season, winning six out of their last seven games while upsetting Cal State Fullerton — the nation's third-ranked team at the time.

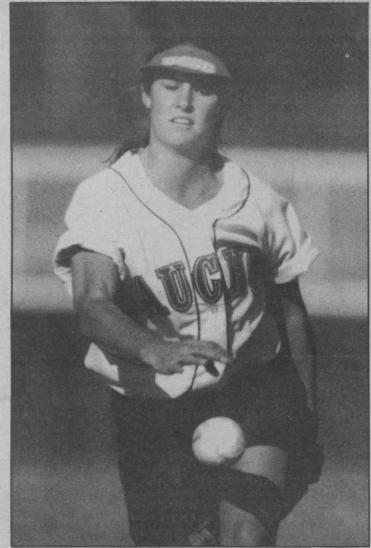
"We came on at the end of the year last year. It just showed that we were capable, but now we have to prove it week in and week out," said UCSB Head Coach Liz Kelly. "I hope we can pick up where we left off last year. I think the players know that we are certainly capable of playing with anybody."

Junior pitcher Megan O'Brien is confident in the Gauchos' ability to be successful in 1996.

"We have a really strong team this year offensively and defensively," she said. "We're really strong in every position and our pitching is good."

As a team, Santa Barbara will have to improve on last year's offensive and defensive numbers. The Gauchos batted .215 while their opponents batted .270. UCSB's pitching gave up 2.86 runs a game while their opponents allowed 1.38.

The Gauchos will return 12 players from last season, seven of them starters. The Gauchos will rely on the play of key players such as last season's second-team All-Big West



AND THE PITCH ...: Senior pitcher/outfielder Stacy Atwood will be UCSB's leader at the plate and on the mound in 1996.

selection senior Stacy Atwood, seniors Michelle Ray and Jennifer Merlo, juniors O'Brien, Kacie Ontiveros and Johnna Mike and sophomore Tracy

Atwood, who ended the 1995 season as the Big West Pitcher and Player of the Week, posted a 15-19 record with an 2.55 ERA and 119 strikeouts. She was also a force at the plate

with a .333 batting average in Big West play. Atwood currently holds UCSB career records in RBI (60) and home

"I expect her to have good command of her pitches and go out and throw the best she can on a given day. If she can do that then she will be very suc-

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Men's Basketball Shoots for First Place Versus UC Irvine

By Michael Cadilli Staff Writer

There's something special about the 1995-96 UCSB men's basketball team, and I'll be more than happy to tell you about it in the annual midseason report.

The Gauchos, 6-3 in the Big West, take on the 6-2 UC Irvine Anteaters (9-6 overall) tonight at 7 p.m. at the Bren Center in Irvine (radio broadcast on KIST 1340 AM) for sole possession of first place in the conference. Should Santa Barbara (9-8 overall) pull off another road victory tonight — its 3-2 conference road record is second only to Nevada's 3-1 mark — it will mark the first time ever that UCSB has been in first place this

What about the 1991-92 campaign, where the Gauchos posted a 7-2 mark at the midpoint, you ask? Well, there were those pesky UNLV Runnin' Rebels and New Mexico State Aggies who were both having stellar seasons.

However, not only is it special that Santa Barbara is vying for first place this late into the season, but it's doing it with a group of guys who were picked to finish in eighth place by both the men's media and coaches' polls in November.

But is UCSB overachieving or is it that the rest of the teams in the Big West are underachieving? Well, the answer may be neither: the Gauchos have one of the best shooting squads in the conference and they are simply proving it.

Santa Barbara ranks first in

the conference in three-point field goal shooting at .398, and during its current three-game winning streak it has made 29-53 from behind the arc for a .547 percentage.

Senior guards Lelan McDougal and Danee Prince and senior forward Mark Flick have led the way for UCSB in three-point proficiency as it has become the nation's 19th-best team from three-point land. McDougal has nailed 51.6 percent of his attempts, placing him atop the Big West in that category as well as ninth in the nation. His 18.9 points per game make him the third-highest scorer in the conference. Flick (Big West Player of the Week on Jan. 15) leads the conference with 2.8 three-pointers per game, while per game also are among the league leaders.

If you think all that the Gauchos can do is can threes, however, then think again. UCSB is also the top free-throw shooting team with its .716 percentage. That touch at the line has definitely been crucial in conference play, as the squad has won its three in a row by a total of just 10 points. As everybody knows, free throws come in handy late in the game.

Santa Barbara has also had two other players who have more than just contributed to its recent success. Senior point guard Phillip Turner and sophomore forward Kealon Wallace add ballhandling and inside play, respectively.

Turner ranks second in the

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Wednesday afternoon's baseball game between UCSB and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo was rained out. No makeup date has been scheduled.

The UCSB men's and women's terms teams will host Hawai'i this afternoon. The women will compete at 1:00, while the men will begin action at 1:30.