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Trick or Treat

Hey, you in the costume! Remember when celebrating Halloween this weekend that the best way to have a howling good time is to be safe.

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## State Legislature Slates Fee Reduction for Grad Students

BY JAMES BRAMLETT  
Reporter

Graduate students have reason to celebrate, as they will have a few extra bucks in their wallets come next year.

State Sen. Jack O'Connell (D-Carpinteria) announced this week that graduate students from the University of California and California State University systems will see a 5 percent reduction in fees for the next academic year. The measure was voted on in August, with unanimous support in the state Senate and an overwhelming majority in the Assembly. O'Connell said the measure was passed to meet the 5 percent cut in undergraduate fees this year.

"This measure is a matter of equity," he said. "We wanted to reduce graduate fees as much as we reduced undergraduate fees."

The approval of the fee cuts is a step forward in promoting education in the state, O'Connell said.

"I want to make higher education affordable and accessible to students," he said. "I want to encourage more students to enter graduate school."

Chris Martin, internal president of the UCSB Graduate Student

Association, will be directly feeling the effects of the legislation.

"I'm pleased they're cutting the fees," he said. "It's always been a problem."

The fee reduction brings the UC system up to par with other graduate programs around the country, according to UCSB Graduate Division Associate Dean Diane Mackie.

"Graduate education is a national and international endeavor," she said. "I think we're at a level of competition where we can attract a high caliber of graduate students."

The measure will help to overcome the problem of out-of-state tuition fees, which are a deterrent to many prospective students, Martin said.

"The main thing that wipes out grad students is the out-of-state fees," he said. "It makes the UC system look uncompetitive."

O'Connell hopes to see more fee reductions made on all levels in the future.

"I don't see any negative effects," he said. "We hope this lasts indefinitely, and I hope for additional cuts for both undergraduate and graduate student next year."

## IVRPD Arranges Halloween, Dia de los Muertos Festivals

BY LAUREN GIARDINA  
Reporter

There are a number of activities organized to keep the Isla Vista ghouls and goblins busy and their mischievous ways at bay this Halloween weekend.

During the 1980s, I.V. gained a national reputation as the place to be on Halloween. The debauchery hit its peak in 1992, when hordes of drunken revelers descended upon I.V., resulting in over a thousand arrests and numerous citations. The Santa Barbara Sheriff's Dept. enacted the Five-Year Plan the next year in hopes of restoring order to the holiday, and in 1996 the I.V. Recreation and Park District began hosting an annual Halloween festival in Anisq' Oyo' Park, according to Associated Students External Vice President for Local Affairs Alonzo Gonzalez.

"This is a return to the roots of the carnival, with people being able



to have fun without having to worry about drunkards getting crazy," he said.

This year's celebration will be one of the biggest yet, according to IVRPD Halloween Committee member Stephen Nichols. The event will take place Saturday night from 5 p.m. to midnight and will include attractions to provide an organized alternative to the indulgences of I.V. parties.

"We'd like to create a neutral area where everyone can meet as equals, like the streets used to be when Halloween was fun," Nichols said. "We want to get the party back into the center of town."

Among the major attractions

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Lois Capps (front) speaks in Storke Plaza on Thursday at a rally hosted by Campus Democrats as Sharon Davis (left) and Hannah-Beth Jackson (second from left) look on.

## Democratic Rally Held at UCSB

BY DAVID DOWNS  
Reporter

Two candidates in local races made a pit stop on campus Thursday, using the opportunity to troll for the student vote.

A rally attended by more than a hundred students and sponsored by Campus Democrats was held in Storke Plaza to promote Democratic candidates in Tuesday's election. Incumbent Lois Capps (D-Santa Barbara), running for the 22nd District Congressional seat, was joined by 35th District State Assembly candidate Hannah-Beth Jackson and gubernatorial candidate Gray Davis' wife Sharon.

All three speakers took a pro-choice stance and mentioned goals for the environment and education. Capps emphasized her desire to lower student fees and provide more loans.

"This is so important to my



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At the Democratic rally, Sharon Davis spoke on behalf of her husband Gray Davis, a California gubernatorial candidate.

whole life, and I have been so honored to represent UCSB in Congress. I have worked tirelessly there for higher education," she said. "The Higher Education Act was reauthorized this year. It has the largest increase in Pell Grants and student loan opportunities, and that's just the beginning. We've

got to keep working; we've got to build partnerships."

Davis, speaking on behalf of her husband, explained the difference between Gray Davis' position on abortion and that of his Republican opponent, Dan Lungren.

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## Res Halls, Local Police Plan for Halloween Onslaught

BY JEANNINE MITCHELL  
Reporter

In the sheer madness of Isla Vistan Halloween, there still exist those who believe there will be order and are armed with the strategies to enforce it.

The Campus Police, I.V. Foot Patrol and on-campus as well as off-campus dorms have already established game plans to keep the chaos to a minimum this year. Events and special policies will begin before the holiday and will end after the weekend, according to on-campus Residence Hall Associate President Mike Shinn.

"There will be tons of activities starting on Thurs-

day night when Isla Vista children, led by members of the community, will trick-or-treat in the residence halls," he said. "Last year, there was an impromptu mini-haunted house. It has not been organized this year, but I'm guessing it will happen again. Friday, there will be a black-light dance with lots of black lights and glow-in-the-dark necklaces. Residents will be encouraged to wear glow-in-the-dark, even if it means splashing Woolite on a tee-shirt. Saturday night, the annual Halloween casino night will be held, which is free for on-campus residents."

A system screening all residents through the main entrances of their buildings will be in place for on-

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# Top of the News

## Ex-Sen. Glenn, 77, Blasts Off Into Space



CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Still the hero and still making history, John Glenn roared back into space Thursday, retracing the trail he blazed for America's astronauts 36 years ago.

"Enjoying the show," Glenn said as Discovery soared 340 miles over Hawaii three hours into the flight. "This is beautiful. It's still a trite old statement: Zero G, and I feel fine," he added, repeating the words of his first flight.

His commander, Curtis Brown Jr., said: "Let the record show that John has a smile on his face, and it goes from one ear to the other one and we haven't been able to remove it yet."

Glenn, the first American in orbit on Feb. 20, 1962, became at age 77 the world's oldest space traveler when he and six crewmates lifted off aboard the shuttle Discovery at 2:19 p.m. EST.

It was a space sequel with all the right stuff. Discov-

ery's departure a mere 19 minutes late was practically routine compared with Glenn's oft-postponed, pioneering flight. The

launch was marred by an 18-by-22-inch panel that fell from the shuttle and struck an engine moments before liftoff. NASA said it posed no risk to the crew.

In taking the second spaceflight of his life, Glenn realized a dream that he never thought possible. His return to space as the first orbiting geriatric test subject captured the American imagination, so much so that hundreds of thousands of people jammed the area to see the retired senator off.

President Clinton, the first president to witness a

shuttle liftoff, pronounced Glenn's flight "a great day for America and a great day for our senior citizens."

Soon after reaching orbit, Glenn — a lowly Payload Specialist No. 2 — unstrapped himself and for the

beaches and roads days ago cheered as Glenn and his ship soared toward the horizon, just as so many did a generation and more before.

Millions more watched America's 123rd human spaceflight on TV.

Clinton and his wife, Hillary, watched the liftoff from the top of the launch control center. The president described the launch as "stunning excitement." On the other side of the roof were Glenn's wife of 55 years, Annie; the Glenns' two children and two teenage grandchildren; and the other crew members' families.

The launch also brought out dozens of members of Congress who gathered in bleachers overflowing with several thousand people, including movie stars such as Leonardo DiCaprio.

Many of the men who launched Glenn on that Mercury Atlas rocket also were present, thrilled to see their flyboy get a second chance, as were dozens of past and present astronauts.

“Enjoying the show.”  
— John Glenn  
77-year-old astronaut

first time ever floated free and weightless. He never got out of the seat of his cramped Friendship 7 Mercury capsule during his five-hour, triple spin around the planet in 1962.

Scott Carpenter, watching with the two other surviving Mercury astronauts from the press site four miles away, sent his best wishes to the crew and reprised his immortal benediction from 1962: "Good luck, have a safe flight and ... once again, Godspeed, John Glenn."

Hundreds of thousands of people who started jamming

## Palestinian Group Attempts to Bomb School Bus



GUSH KATIF JUNCTION, Gaza Strip (AP) — It took only a second for Israeli soldiers escorting the school bus to realize something was terribly wrong. Within moments, two people were dead. Within hours, Yasser Arafat launched an unprecedented crackdown on Islamic militants.

Arafat put Sheik Ahmed Yassin under house arrest Thursday after his militant Islamic group, Hamas, claimed responsibility for the bombing that targeted the red-and-white bus full of elementary school children.

The 40 students on board were saved — not a single one was hurt — but the car bomb killed an Israeli soldier in the jeep, a 19-year-old immigrant from the Ukraine now being

praised as a fallen hero.

Coming only six days after the signing of a land-for-security agreement in Washington, it was a destabilizing new factor in what is already a highly delicate prelude to implementing the accord.

Blocking the pact is the avowed goal of Hamas, which bitterly opposes any peace with Israel. Hamas has carried out attacks that have killed scores of Israelis.

As the bus from Kfar Darom, an isolated Jewish settlement in the heart of the Palestinian-controlled Gaza Strip, passed a busy intersection Thursday, a car with Palestinian plates tried to cut into the convoy and ram it.

The lead army jeep rushed to block the car's path — and took the brunt of a blast so powerful it flipped the jeep like a toy, leaving it lying charred and mangled.

It was a suicide blast; the car's driver died, too.

## AP WIRE SHORTS

• **MANCHESTER, England (AP)** — A 16-year-old boy obsessed with smelling nice died after months of repeatedly spraying his entire body with deodorant, a coroner ruled Wednesday.

Jonathan Capewell had 10 times the lethal dosage of propane and butane in his blood when he suffered a heart attack and died July 29, coroner Barrie Williams said.

It is believed the fumes built up in his body following months of high deodorant use, Williams said.

"His personal hygiene led him to use more than was normal in a confined space, which limits ventilation," said the coroner, who recorded the death as accidental.

Jonathan's father, Keith Capewell, said his son would cover his entire body with deodorant at least twice a day.

"When we told him he was using too much, he said he just wanted to smell good," Capewell said.

Sue Rogers of the British Aerosol Manufacturing Association said she had never heard of a similar incident.

"It is extraordinarily unusual and terribly tragic," she said.

• **NEW YORK (AP)** — Montel Williams had a double mastectomy when he was 19.

Williams said he was in the Marines when military doctors found a lump in his chest. He said on a recent segment of his talk show that he had both breasts removed and later learned the lump was benign.

He did not have reconstructive surgery. He was able to

build up his chest by working out, said Gary Rosen, a spokesperson for "The Montel Williams Show." Williams, 42, recently served as host of a breast cancer fundraiser.

• **PITTSBURGH (AP)** — A 13-year-old girl "obsessed" with "Titanic" got the bat mitzvah of her dreams when a hotel ballroom was transformed into the luxury liner, with 12-foot steaming smokestacks at the buffet table, phosphorescent artificial icebergs and a "steerage" section for the children.

The *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* reported that the celebration last Saturday for Lisa Niren was rumored to cost as much as a half-million dollars. Her father, Dr. Neil Niren, would not confirm the price tag.

Noting that his own parents survived the Holocaust, Niren said: "Anyone can go down at any time. We didn't want to wait to show how much we love one another."

Three hundred people came from as far as Canada, Mexico and Argentina to fete Lisa, who is "obsessed" with the Oscar-winning movie, according to her sister, Leslie.

The pièce de résistance was a gigantic photo, 10 feet above the floor, featuring Lisa's face superimposed over actress Kate Winslet's body in a famous "Titanic" scene on the prow of the ocean liner. Lisa appeared to have teen heart-throb Leonardo DiCaprio smiling over her shoulder.

The bat mitzvah — or bar mitzvah, for boys — is a religious celebration marking a Jewish child's 13th birthday. It is the point when the child passes into religious adulthood.

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## Scary Weather

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## Weather

The best horror stories are the ones that are true. So, in observance of Halloween I've decided to tell you a true story from my childhood (They're all pretty scary.). It was back in the '80s, and we lived in a house with a basement. My younger brother started complaining about being kept up at night by strange sounds. He said he heard movement in the adjoining basement and even thought he heard a voice talking to him.

Now even though we'd noticed things being misplaced around the house and food disappearing, we didn't connect the two. So after a few more days of my brother's stories (and after we found out our health insurance didn't cover psychiatric care), we decided to look in the basement. You can't even imagine what we found ...

... nothing! It must have just been my brother's imagination. Now aren't true stories scary?

Today's weather: It's Friday! That means guaranteed sunshine. Happy Halloween!

# Council Aware of Habitat in Path of Expansion

By LISA BUTTERWORTH  
Staff Writer

In the midst of midterms, Associated Students Legislative Council met Wednesday night in a meeting that raised awareness regarding campus wetlands.

The fourth A.S. Leg Council meeting of the year opened with discussion on the San Rafael housing expansion and a position paper — authored by On-Campus Representative Mel Fabi — which asked for the board's support for the project. The proposition was struck from the agenda because it failed to take into account the environmental impact of the development plans, according to Fabi.

"As a representative, I feel that all sides need to be addressed when talking about a position paper," he said. "I'm going to hold myself accountable to supporting environmental issues."

More research needs to be done before a new position paper is presented, Fabi said.

"I'm going to create an ad hoc committee from Associated Students looking into the issues of the construction itself because I have only been educated about the [project's] benefits," he said.

Environmental Affairs Board Recycling Chair Ariana Katovitch said an A.S. endorsement of the new construction would have dangerous repercussions.

"If you go for a project that is building on an environmentally sensitive habitat area, you're setting a precedent and saying that it's OK with A.S. to do these sorts of things even if it's against the California Coastal Act," she said.

Special Project Analyst for Housing Chuck Haines addressed councilmembers, saying he supports their decision to look into the expansion.

"We're not into environmental blight. I think the idea of the ad hoc committee is the right way to go so we can talk through those issues," he said. "Housing is more than willing to work with the students, and we want to be part of the process."

In other business, Leg Council reviewed and approved Finance Board policies and procedures by a 16-2 vote. Prior to the vote, Finance Board Chair Christina Costley briefed Leg Council on the importance of the approval to put the procedures into effect.

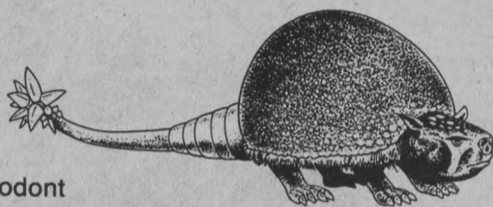
"We don't have any rules. We are operating without rules. Nothing is governing Finance Board right now," she said. "If we wanted to go into Finance Board on Monday and move to allocate all the money to ourselves, I don't know, a shopping spree for me, we could do that because we don't have any rules ... and that's not the way government should function."

## NETS

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and senior defensive specialist Tania Yamashita had 11.  
"I thought our defense clicked," Yamashita said.

"Everything was just looking great for us tonight."

Santa Barbara will hit the Thunderdome floor again Saturday night when the Idaho Vandals come to town. The match starts at 7 p.m.



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# Feature

# YURT YURT YURT

By Elizabeth Werhane

Now that you've settled into another school year and slid past midterms, you may be ready to get away. Fortunately, Lake Cachuma has a new way of turning visitors into happy campers: the yurt.

To understand what a yurt is you have to imagine a crossbreed of a tent and a cabin. Or, if your imagination is lacking, check out the photo.

Although perhaps strange at

ish and religious studies major Mark Noble branded them, they're not *too* yuppie. In fact, he said, "It's great because people at school don't have camping stuff."

The convenience of not having to buy expensive camping supplies to stay in a yurt was a main selling point emphasized by both Medeiros and North County Deputy Director Jeff Stone.

The yurt is "convenient," ac-

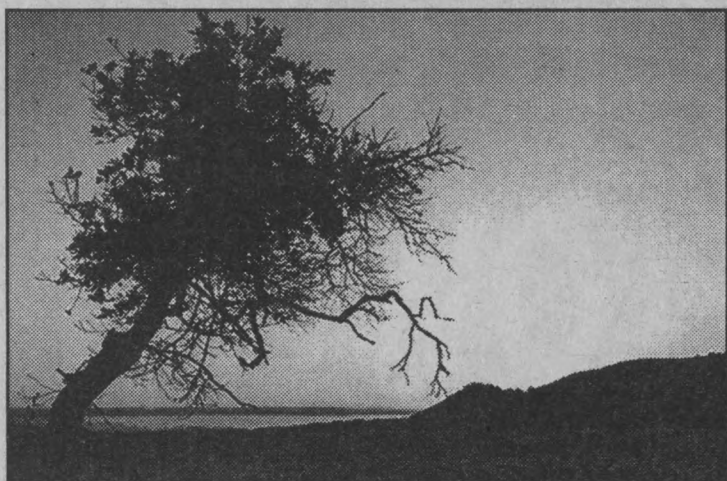
“Five people for \$50. You split it and have a wild and crazy lovefest in the yurt. It doesn't get any better than that.”

— Mark Noble

sophomore English and religious studies major and happy camper

first glance, the yurt may be the ideal solution for a college student looking to get away. Getting away is exactly what three friends and I did as we piled ourselves and our gear into the big white station wagon to go yurting.

What we found was what Park Operations Supervisor Mitch Medeiros had promised: "Something that could give the everyday person a chance to experience camping."



The view from the deck of the yurt is one not easily matched, especially at sunset.

The yurt we stayed in exhibited many features of a typical yurt. Its walls, constructed of a lattice frame and covered with an insulated vinyl layer, were round in shape. A layer of screening was underneath vinyl weather flaps at three windows, and a fourth window was part of the door. A tension cable ran along the top of the frame to hold the shape. Above was the domed ceiling with a skylight vent. Inside were two bunk beds and a small bookcase, as well as indoor lighting.

Nicole Livermore, an SBCC sophomore communication major, explained that the yurt was "not traditional camping." She noted that some of the "definite plusses" include insulation, an electrical outlet, indoor lighting, the deck and the view of the lake.

Although the yurts may be "yuppie camping," as sophomore Engl-

ishing and religious studies major Mark Noble branded them, they're not *too* yuppie. In fact, he said, "It's great because people at school don't have camping stuff."

Stone said that other advantages of the yurts include "security," — there's a key lock on the door — "the view" — the yurts are located on the edge of the lake — and the "uniqueness" of the experience.

These factors seem to generate a

significant amount of appeal. Medeiros reported that the three available yurts — Poppy, Sage and Lupine — were booked on weekends straight through the summer and even on many weekdays.

The stay is reasonably priced for a college student's budget. During the summer season (April to October) the yurts run \$40 or \$50 a night. The \$40 yurts sleep five comfortably, and the \$50 yurt sleeps six. During the winter season (November to March), each yurt is \$10 cheaper per night.

Noble thinks it's a pretty good deal. "Five people for \$50. You split it and have a wild and crazy lovefest in the yurt. It doesn't get any better than that."

After you've made your reservation, be prepared for the inevitable questions when you tell friends where you're headed. Know your yurt history.



Located only feet from the waters of Lake Cachuma, Poppy yurt is one of three yurts a short drive away from campus.

Yurts were commonly used by Mongol and Turkish people. They were different from previous shelters and tents in their lack of a center pole and the ease with which they could be constructed and then taken down. This feature was particularly important to nomadic peoples.

Historically, yurts have been seen as more than convenient housing. Eight special yurts, known as the Eight White Ordon, are present on the land where Genghis Khan asked to be buried and are said to hold some sacred significance.

The word "ordon" comes from the old Mongol term "ordo," meaning palace. The name "yurt" is actually the Russian way of saying ordo. Today, in modern Mongol language, "ger" is another term for yurt.

I don't know if I'd go so far as to call the yurt a palace, but they are certainly a step up from a tent, and at Lake Cachuma you can't beat the view.

Out of the past, the yurts move into the future. If winter business is successful, Stone anticipates adding more yurts to the Cachuma landscape.

"Once we have a full year of occupancy figures, we'll see if it will be in our best interest to expand," he said.

The yurts themselves costed approximately \$2,500 to \$4,000. With utilities and the construction of the decks, the price rose to between \$7,000 and \$8,000. Medeiros explained that the Cachuma staff did the labor on the yurts, which helped reduce the costs.

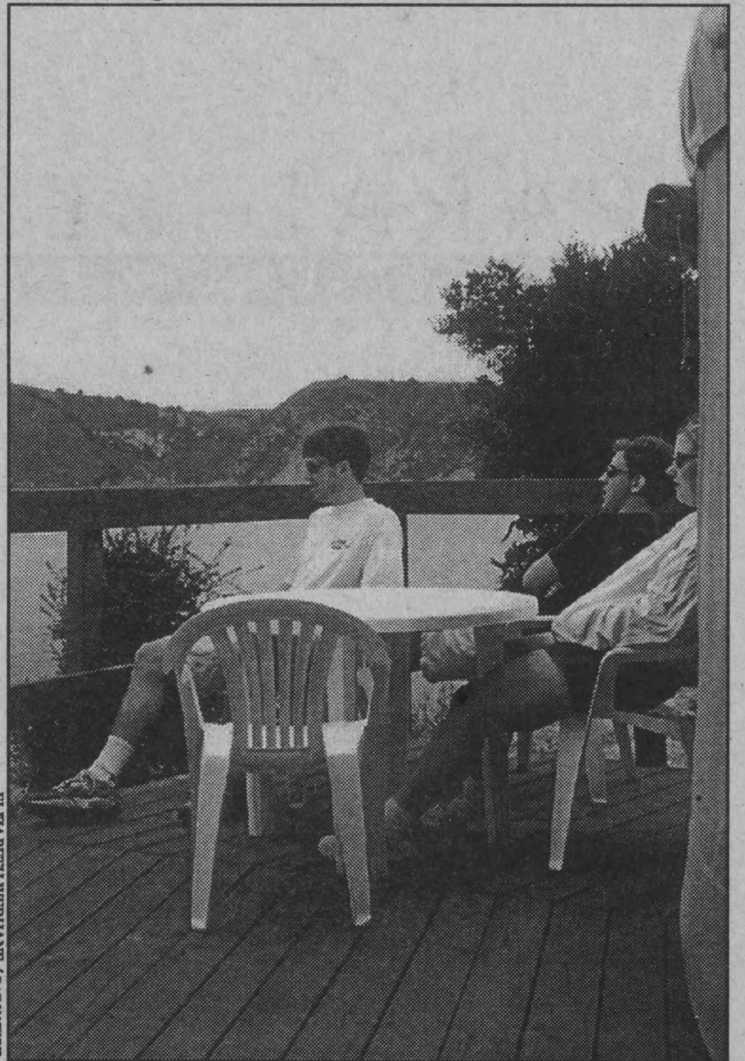
Medeiros expects that if more yurts were to be added, the park staff might choose a larger size. Currently the available yurts are 14 or 16 feet in diameter, but bigger yurts are also within the capabilities of Pacific Yurts Inc., who were

contracted to build the Cachuma structures.

Sophomore geography major Brian Hiefield was surprised by the size of the yurts. He said they were "smaller than expected, but still spacious."

The size does not seem to be a deterrent so far. According to Stone, "Right now the demand is very great." He attributes this partly to the rarity of yurts. Although available in different styles from Hawaii to Maine and from secluded hideaways to booming bed and breakfasts, yurts are uncommon along the central coast.

Choosing to embark on a yurting adventure at Lake Cachuma leaves a wide variety of recreational activities at your disposal. Medeiros said, "Primarily the main [recreation] would be fishing," but he also pointed out that opportunities to boat, hike, swim in one of two pools, visit the nature center, birdwatch, bike, take a wildlife cruise or even play video games in the arcade are available. At the Lake Cachuma yurts you can rough it if you want to, but you certainly don't have to. Bring your friends, bring your books and live like a Mongol.



Three students relax on the deck of the yurt enjoying their escape from civilization.

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**RALLY**

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"This campaign is about issues — very important issues — and one of the most important issues in this race is a woman's right to choose. Now you've heard that from the other candidates, and you know Gray is for a woman's right to choose, but let me tell you about Dan Lungren's record," she said. "He voted on 15 occasions to not allow a woman to have an

abortion in cases of rape and incest. This a very serious issue. So I ask you ladies and gentlemen, are you ready to elect a pro-choice Democratic governor for the state of California?"

Senior Spanish and environmental studies major Meghan Conklin said she supports Capps because of her legislative record.

"She showed to the students that she's pro-environment through introducing bills like the moratorium on offshore drilling

and other environment-protection bills," Conklin said.

According to senior philosophy major Chris Shey, the lack of interaction with the candidates was disappointing.

"[Capps] just came up and introduced herself and then just walked off. It's still so political," he said. "Like, they come and it sort of looks like they're getting to know people, but it's really just hand shaking and turning around."

**SAFETY**

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campus residence halls throughout the weekend, according to Shinn.

"All locks will be changed on the buildings except by the front desk, so that everyone has to walk past the front desk. That will let us know if someone is going to cause problems. This will prevent damage to halls, which would bring rates up," he said.

Off-campus residence hall Tropicana Gardens plans to take similar precautions to secure facilities, according to Director of Housing and Resident Life Stacey Rotheberg.

"At Tropicana Gardens we will also enforce the no-guest policy. Only Tropicana residents will be allowed on the premises beginning Thursday, Oct. 29, at 5 p.m. through Sunday, Nov. 1, at midnight. The Tropicana front desk will be open 24 hours during Halloween weekend, and our staff will require residents to show their I.D.," she said. "We will also have additional staff on duty to address any issues that arise. Hopefully, many Tropicana residents will want to stay home and enjoy the fun alternatives offered instead of going out and drinking."

Along with the problem of vandalism and

drunken misconduct, authorities are faced with the parking congestion expected this weekend. According to University of California Police Capt. Bill Bean, the force has anticipated this situation.

"CSO will be in front of Santa Ynez Apartments for parking control purposes," he said.

The Campus Police will be working overtime to ensure a safe weekend, according to UCPD Chief of Police John MacPherson.

"Some officers will work additional hours and some [will work] an additional shift, on what would be their day off. The captain will be on duty both Friday and Saturday night, both on campus and to help the IVFP," he said. "We will take care of ourselves if a problem or issue arises, which I don't anticipate. We enforce law on a basis consistent with the rest of the year."

In the spirit of Halloween, the Campus Police officers have an annual competition for best costume, MacPherson added.

"I have dressed as a parent for the past 15 years and have never won," he said. "One year, I almost won because I was mistaken for Steve Martin. I hope to win this year and I hope that everybody has a good time, is safe and sane, and there is no crime."

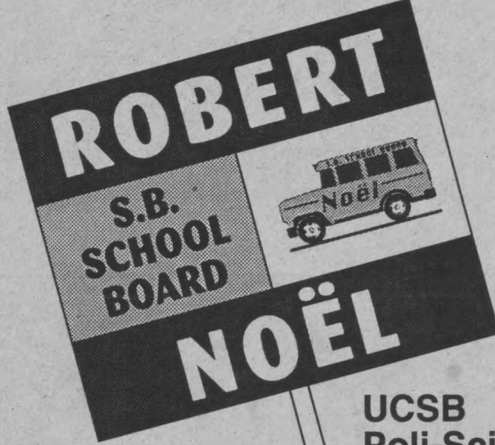


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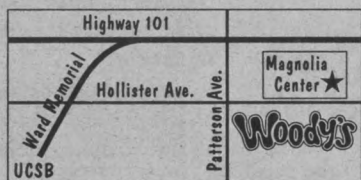
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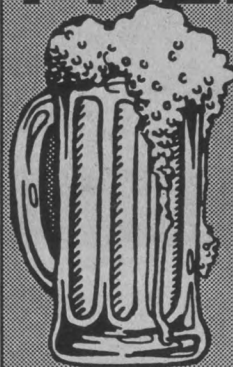


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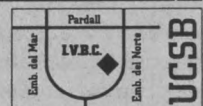
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## Five-Year Plan?

*Halloween Is No Longer the Huge Party It Once Was, So It's Time for a Smaller Police Presence*

So it's the sixth year of a Five-Year Plan. Why does that sound inherently wrong? When Halloween exploded six years ago in Isla Vista, there were over 1,000 arrests and several people died. It was insane. It needed to be regulated.

Flash forward six years. The year is 1998 and a five-year surveillance watch is supposed to be concluded. Why, then, is there going to be the same police presence in Isla Vista that has been cruising DP and Sabado the past five years?

Halloween in I.V. is no longer the huge party it once was. Everyone seems to understand this except those in positions of authority. People don't drive hours on end to end up here for Halloween.

In fact, the first couple weekends of school are much bigger than Halloween these days. Yet the police, particularly Sheriff Jim Thomas, seem to think it is necessary to bring in a beefed-up police force to deal with the rowdy out-of-towners who don't show up anymore.

The purpose of the increased protection is to return the holiday to the community, which is a commendable goal. However, students are a large part of the community, and denying them the

chance to have a good time, legal or not, seems wrong.

This is true especially considering that most people do not venture into I.V. for Halloween, so the people partying are the same people who tap the keg every Friday and Saturday night.

And then there are the roadblocks keeping cars from driving down DP and Sabado. If anyone is stupid enough to drive down either of these streets — particularly DP — on a Saturday Halloween, they should expect to have their car accosted.

The problem with the roadblocks mainly is the fact that it prevents residents from getting to their homes from an extremely early hour. And considering that Halloween is just a bunch of people wading down DP finding dry parties with no music, it seems pointless.

However, the people who will be partying on Saturday should still try to be extra safe. Not only because it is smart, but because there are going to be police from outside the Santa Barbara area who are not used to dealing with college students.

Be smart and safe and everyone will have a good time, despite the many inconveniences set in place.

## The Fateful Day Is Rapidly Approaching ...

## Don't Forget to Vote Nov. 3

## The Reader's Voice

### VOTE TO SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT!

Editor, Daily Nexus:

In just one week, newly registered students across the nation will move from the recycling bin to the ballot box. Election Day, Nov. 3, is when young people — a constituency that typically cares the most, but votes the least — will go to the polls and "vote environment."

In a mid-term election year when a presidential scandal has saturated the media and the economy is strong, voter turnout is predicted to hit an all-time low.

Despite these predictions, young voters across the country are insisting that issues they care about, such as the environment, be

discussed in election campaigns.

"Politicians need to take a stand on environmental issues," explained Martha Williamson, a 19-year-old Campus Green Vote leader at the University of North Carolina. "And students need to vote environment for the things that matter most: clean air, safe drinking water and forest protection."

Results from recent focus groups show that "young voters clearly see the environment as their generation's issue. And they believe that ending pollution and cleaning up the environment is a matter of future survival for them."

Focus groups were conducted among young voters (18-29 years old) by The Feldman Group and Kiley and Company for Emily's List in spring of 1998.

"In an election year, voting is the

most effective way students have to voice our concern for the environment," commented Williamson.

At many schools, Campus Green Vote materials are drawing students' attention to the importance of voting for the environment. "Vote Environment" posters, doorhangers and handbills are being distributed in the days leading up to the election.

In addition, students are organizing rides to the polls, "Get Out the Vote" swing dances and reminder phone calls.

"If you do just one thing to help the environment this year, make it a trip to the polls," said Rani Corey, national director for Campus Green Vote.

"By voting, we send a strong message to politicians that young

people are serious about protecting the earth."

RANI COREY

### GOLETA BENEFITS FROM SUSAN ROSE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I want to give a heads up to fellow students concerning a very important local political campaign here in Santa Barbara County. That is the race in the urban, unincorporated area of Santa Barbara and Goleta for 2nd District supervisor.

It's very distressing to see the distortions and misrepresentations about Goleta neighborhoods, creeks and beaches in Jeanne Graffy's campaign literature and ads.

## Discrimination No

*Extra Measures Need to Be Taken*

NICK SPREITZER

It never ceases to amaze me how often people fall into the inflammatory (although more comforting pride invoking) lies about American history. And reading the column "Affirmative Action Reverses Justice" (*Daily Nexus*, Oct. 12) I understand more clearly than ever before how those lies work to keep women and people of color far away from the vilages white men so disproportionately enjoy.

I almost laughed when I read Lee Gientke's rendition of how America came to exist and how ignorant he portrays our history since that time. But I didn't laugh because it was not funny.

Instead, I got angry because he conveniently glossed over his two-line history of "liberty and justice for all" hundreds of years of African enslavement, oppression, extermination of millions of Native Americans and the exploitation of innumerable Chinese, Japanese, Mexican, to name a very few poor immigrants.

In fact, with the exception of native-born women, America has a very decorated history of discrimination toward just about every group lured here by the same mythological stories presented by Mr. Gientke.

I am shocked that anybody could seriously believe

## Clinton Is Not a C

*Seduction, Not Exploitation on Pa*

BABAK MASOUDI

One of the things being said about the latest Vice President Al Gore is that Bill Clinton used his power to exploit the ladies he had sex with. This sets a negative example for the rest of us. Now, part of what attracted these ladies to Bill, but characterizing him as a predator is the only thing.

Power is something bestowed upon people who are hired to make administrative and political decisions and are hired to make administrative and political decisions.

Bill is not an intrinsically powerful person; the power upon its holder, which he just happens to have. Anyone else who holds such an office is also bestowed with power.

If there are not other attractive qualities about a person, they will not attract others, or have the opportunities for a handsome, rich, confident, well-spoken man like Bill to tell you what you want to hear, or at least tell it to you in a way you would like to hear it, will have.

Bill is a politician, and these qualities are prerequisites for success in the political struggle for offices and titles. Politicians are in constant competition for support.

## More Reader's Vo

Jeanne Graffy hasn't been dedicated to maintenance, conservation, restoration or preservation of neighborhoods, creeks or beaches. Jeanne Graffy hasn't been dedicated to sustainable neighborhood-oriented growth and development on Santa Barbara's South Coast.

Voting in a block with North County supervisors and opposite Supervisors Marshall and Schwartz, Graffy has voted to:

1) Approve all except one South Coast development proposed to her as supervisor, relegating neighborhoods' Quality of Life decisions to the lowest status.

2) Approve the Isla Vista seawall.

3) Rezone and convert county agricultural lands, directly assaulting the Urban Limit Lines established through the required Com-

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# Not a Thing of the Past

## Taken for True Equality to Even Be Possible

that "some of the greatest minds ever to grace one room told the king of England that ... [he could not] impoverish and enslave at a mere whim ... by stating that 'all men are created equal.'"

If you believe that, then you're going to have to believe that it was *only* for the king of England to impoverish and enslave at a mere whim, BECAUSE THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT THOSE "GREAT MINDS" CAME OVER HERE AND DID!

When Mr. Gientke said that repealing the ban on Affirmative Action would "forsake our history and those that have fought and died so that the principles of freedom, equality and individual opportunity are passed on to the next generation," I can't help but wonder whose freedom, equality and individual opportunity he is talking about.

Historically speaking, the United States has NOT done an exemplary job of preserving those freedoms it professes to uphold. To deny this is pure foolishness. We need to learn the historical truth behind our country, not childish mythology, in order to prevent repeating mistakes (actually *atrocities* is a better word) already committed.

Now, if Mr. Gientke's article is any indication, there are many more people who feel negatively toward repealing the ban on Affirmative Action.

So, I would like to play courtroom lawyer and

briefly illustrate why his arguments are very narrow in mindset, and in the process demonstrate the NEED for reinstating Affirmative Action.

First, Mr. Gientke repeatedly inferred that racial and gender preferences as implemented by Affirmative Action give "free rides" to those who lack appropriate credentials and are "lucky" enough to exist within a stigmatized group.

For example, he asks "Do [supporters of Affirmative Action] want to degrade and diminish someone's accomplishments because they worked hard, but are of a different color?" No, that is not the intention, and those aided by Affirmative Action *do* maintain the same standards as anybody else would be required.

The role of Affirmative Action is to undermine the institutionalized biases that favor white males. No one is receiving any free rides. Rather, it is an effort to balance out the teeter-totter of (American) life that invariably leans toward white men with respect to college admissions and other such situations.

Next, Mr. Gientke argues that "we" (who "we" is, I don't want to even ask) ... "are being made to pay for mistakes" (there's that word again) "that our parents made ... by creating preferences for 'historically under-represented groups.'" He's got a point there. I agree that "we" shouldn't pay for our parents' mistakes.

BUT, Affirmative Action does not make anybody pay for their parents' mistakes. Affirmative Action helps fight the problem of *presently* underrepresented groups.

Today, right now, biases are leaving minorities and women with fewer college admissions, fewer job opportunities

and fewer job promotions than their white-male peers. Under the present curriculum, people like myself will find more opportunity and will rise through the ranks faster because of male gender and white skin. And that's not right.

Remember, Affirmative Action helps *everybody* by attempting to reverse the *mistakes we all make every day*. We are all sexist, racist, homophobic, xenophobic and generally prejudicial creatures in various ways.

The most admirable people are those who fight their internalized prejudices with the most intensity, open-mindedness and optimism.

The creation of a colorblind society will NOT happen all by itself, as assumed by Mr. Gientke. Rather, we need something institutional to reverse institutionalized prejudices. Right at this moment the best course of action for this matter is Affirmative Action, and until something better comes along I will continue to vehemently support it, and work to mend its shortcomings.

In a final note, Mr. Gientke, if I heard evidence that certain groups were experiencing a collective impact of discrimination because of their religion (maybe some are, I don't know), then granting them aid *would* be mutually beneficial for everyone.

Nick Spreitzer is a junior history and Asian American studies major.

# a Criminal

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and in order to get it, they must compromise with others and be prepared to give them what they want in exchange for their support. If they were to profess their own convictions, they could lose the support of everyone who for some reason or other wants the opposite.

To be safe, and hopefully to be successful, politicians need to put aside their own beliefs and uphold those of public opinion polls and special interest groups. They must set aside integrity and honesty, and tell the public that they too believe and act as the public would ideally like them



to, or they will not be successful politicians.

Of course Bill lied about his affairs for as long as he feasibly could. The lengths that those prosecuting him had to go to and the dire situation they had to create in order for Bill to admit the truth help to show that he is truly a seasoned politician, professing to be what others want him to be: an ideal family man and husband who loves his wife to the exclusion of

others.

We as a society wish for monogamous marriages, and this is what Bill tried to give us — although the dynamics of his marriage are unknown to us. Who are we to say if his marriage with Hillary is a happy, strong and loving one, and not merely a political partnership wherein each uses the other as an ally in their mutual quest for money and power, or something else entirely?

The dynamics of their relationship and nothing else determine the relative severity of his affairs and their repercussions upon Hillary and Chelsea. If they have been hurt, then it is to them that Bill must make amends.

If not, then there is no one for him to ask forgiveness from, as each affair was a consensual relationship, the sexual nature of which was mutually agreed upon.

If anyone was exploited, it was with her consent, and if power was one of Bill's qualities that these ladies found attractive, so be it.

It is unjust for us to judge others' personal lives and their consensual relationships. People complaining about the negative example set by others are implying that we do not have the capacity and/or inclination to decide what is right or wrong on an individual level and live by these values.

We need to understand that lying and setting aside integrity are part of a politician's job description, just as much as they are a part of the job description of any other profession where people must sell themselves.

We need to realize that in the public world — where one's public image is a commodity — these images will conform to publicly held values such as monogamy and honesty and will diverge from the private reality of daily living.

Babak Masoudi is a junior psychology major.

# s Voice

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4) Approve extensive development and commercial horse operations in Goleta immediately adjacent to San Jose, Maria Ygnacio and Atascadero Creeks, the Goleta Lough and Goleta Beach, where potential runoff threatens safe water quality.

5) Rubber stamp the Jack-in-the-Box, CA Allstore and the 9-apartment Maravilla projects presented by the Planning Commission. She ignored testimony, and letters of the neighborhood groups living near Patterson Ave. requesting project modifications.

There are many UCSB students who care deeply about the future of our county — its creeks, beaches and neighborhoods. We need a supervisor who's really dedicated

to, and votes for, clean water, accessible beaches, neighborhood integrity, sustainable development and adequate infrastructure.

I support Susan Rose and urge you to vote for her on Nov. 3!

DAVID C. WOOD

## RACCOONS AREN'T ADJUSTED TO TIME

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am still haunted by the horrible sight of a baby raccoon being killed by a student's dog on campus. It was Sunday, Oct. 25, at 9 p.m.

The nocturnal animals are affected by our switching from daylight saving time to standard time. We invade their time frame because what during the summer was

a safe and quiet time for them (10 p.m.) is now 9 p.m., when many students — with or without dogs — are still on campus.

Please take extra care now and walk your dog on a leash, especially in the evenings! Show some respect for your environment!

MARIANNE EGGER DE CAMPO

## RAPE VICTIMS ARE NOT AT FAULT

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am writing concerning the recent "upsurge" of sexual assault crimes that have been plaguing I.V. I am not only talking about the rape case of the girl who was pushed into the garage a couple of weeks ago on DP.

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I'm also addressing all the unreported acquaintance rape cases and harassment incidents targeting girls who walk alone.

Those who choose to report these crimes, like me, can find themselves confronting another problem: the police or I.V. Foot Patrol.

First of all, it's hard enough to tell complete strangers of a personal incident. Secondly, these strangers — the police — can be condescending and victim-blaming. Just because you, the victim, want to get home by yourself doesn't mean you're inviting an attack.

What about the attacker? Well, he becomes the effect of the crime you caused. Sure, he shouldn't have attacked you, but you shouldn't be walking by yourself.

This type of victim blaming isn't

going to help anyone, nor reassure the safety of the victim, especially if police officers place the responsibility on the victim rather than the offender.

So it's pure bullshit to hear that the girl raped on DP was "at the wrong place at the wrong time" when the rapists were out specifically looking for a victim. For those of you who have been assaulted, it's not your fault, but only the offender's.

If you choose to report it, let the police know that your drunkenness or where you were at the time didn't instigate the crime, but instead point fingers at the attackers. They are who they should be lecturing.

JENNY TAM

# HOT LINE

## Do You Have An Answer For This One?:

"What's the deal with philosophy? And who is this guy named Phil? What if his name was Bob? Would we be studying Bobology?"  
-Shauna Lisberg and Jackie Barber  
Have an answer? It would be a little scary, but feel free to respond if you're so inclined.

## Better Sex:

"I was on KRUIZ 103.3 FM (Thurs.) for 'The Battle of the Sexes.' They asked us if its OK that men leave the toilet seat up. The girl and I got in an argument over the topic, and basically, as the DJ said, I 'destroyed her,' to win the prize. This just goes to show you that men are better, or at least smarter. This proves my point that girls are dumb. Thank you."  
-For a good time call Matt Hurst

## Naked?:

"Five guys streaked Campbell Hall in the Sec. 152 midterm on Wednesday. Everybody was naked except for one guy who had this big foam dick. I just want to know what that guy was trying to hide. Oh, and the guy in the green mask had a hairy ass, but thanks for the distraction."  
-Gretchen, Reporter of the Bare Facts

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Check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19)—Today is a 7—If you're having trouble with a bureaucracy, try again now. It looks like most bureaucrats will be in a good mood. Some may even be feeling generous, and you know how rare that is. If you can be polite, it's quite possible you'll get what you want. Also, play by the rules. That's still, unfortunately, a requirement.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20)—Today is a 6—Everything finally clicks into place. Your friends are there to give you the support you need. Even better, things seem to be going your way. Others are beginning to see the logic of your argument and are treating you with new respect. This may seem like a dream come true, but it's not a fantasy. It's real. Enjoy it.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21)—Today is a 5—Lots of new assignments are coming your way. Just what you always wanted! Actually, it is what you wanted at one point. It had something to do with making money, possibly to take a vacation to some balmy island. If you haven't already made plans, think about it now. It'll help keep your mind off how busy you are.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22)—Today is a 7—Now this is more like it, a grand trine in water signs. A very good day for you. A very lucky day, and this condition holds all the way through Saturday night, Halloween. You need to do something special to celebrate this holiday. Go as your most magnificent hidden talent unleashed.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is a 6—The money is available, and it looks like it wants to come to you. Your only questions are, how and when? What do you have to do to make it happen? It looks like an expenditure may be required. It's called "priming the pump." If you look like you don't need anything, you can sometimes get more.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 6—You'll have time to relax with a friend over lunch and talk about recent developments. There's more to do, of course, but that's OK. By now, you can see the light at the end of the tunnel. You may also notice that an amazing change has occurred. You're older and wiser now, and it looks good on you.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is a 6—You could make a bit of money today, but not by drawing attention to yourself. It's more likely you'll do it by taking care of somebody else. The key to your success right now is service. Figure out what needs to be done and provide it before being asked, and you'll make not only profits, but possibly cash.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 7—You've got the inside track with a beautiful person. This one is kind and gentle, as well as cuddly and affectionate. You can't ask for much more, so why bother? Looks like this is just about as good as it gets. Help calm your sweetheart's fears and you'll be seen as a great hero.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is a 5—Something's going on behind the scenes, and you don't have the full picture. Maybe it's part of the coming holiday. People are sneaking around, putting together their outfits, and don't want you to know what's going on. You don't like secrets, but this time, relax. You might even want to do some private preparations yourself.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Today is a 6—You're best at learning through doing. Find a coach who's understanding and compassionate. Otherwise, you'll worry about whether you're doing it right, which is completely at odds with the learning process. If you weren't making mistakes, you wouldn't be doing something new.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is a 5—Your work has caused others to notice you, favorably. Sometimes the controversy you generate causes hard feelings, but this time it looks like you'll benefit. There's a demanding authority figure in your life right now. Be respectful and pleasant. If you get on this person's good side, the rewards could be worth it.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20)—Today is a 6—The people who were bickering early in the week will finally settle down. One of them is the clear winner; luckily, it's the one who was on your side. This person thinks you're great, so you're counted as a member of the winning team even if your only role was to comment from the sidelines. The comments were fantastic.

**Today's Birthday** (Oct. 30). You're getting smarter this year, especially about money. You can never have too much, but don't overspend to get it. Learn new skills in December to fix something at home by yourself in February. Devote March and April to love, as much as possible. It will be obvious by then how to do so. Heed an angry co-worker's advice in April, even if you don't feel like it at first. It's a lesson you need to learn. The promotion's scheduled for August, with innovative action required in September. No problem!

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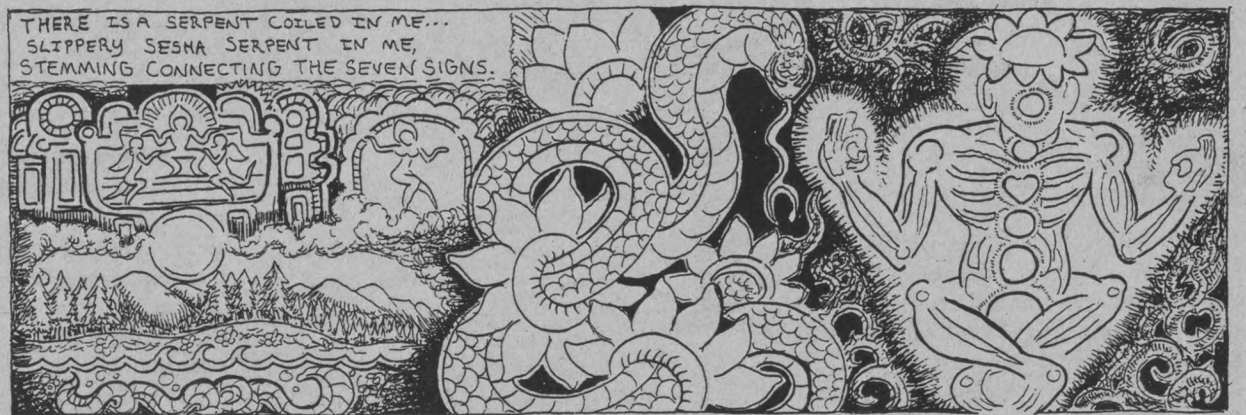


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# HOLIDAY

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will be a Ferris wheel, an inflatable bounce cage, a dunk tank, live music and a costume contest. "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" will be shown in the I.V. Theatre on Friday and Saturday night at midnight. All of the money raised by the festival will be put back into the IVRPD budget for future events, according to IVRPD General Manager Derek Johnson.

"Our plan is to do this for five years," he said. "We'll then evaluate its success, and if we have achieved the goal of providing a safe and fun festival, we'll continue to have the event."

In addition, the IVRPD and El Congreso are cosponsoring a Dia de los Muertos celebration on Sunday. The event will commemorate a traditional La-

tin American holiday celebrating life and death. Participants will meet at St. Mark's Church on Embarcadero del Mar at 11 a.m., where a procession, led by Aztec dancers, will move to Anisq'Oyo' Park. There the festivities will continue with folk dancing, theater groups and a number of children's events, according to El Congreso member Ivonne Cardenas.

"We would like everyone to get involved with Dia de los Muertos," she said. "It is a time where we can learn and celebrate other cultures; it will be fun and everyone will get something out of it."

While the festival is open to anyone, the committee would like to discourage out-of-town partiers, who have been a source of problems in the past, according to Halloween Committee Chair Pegeen Soutar.

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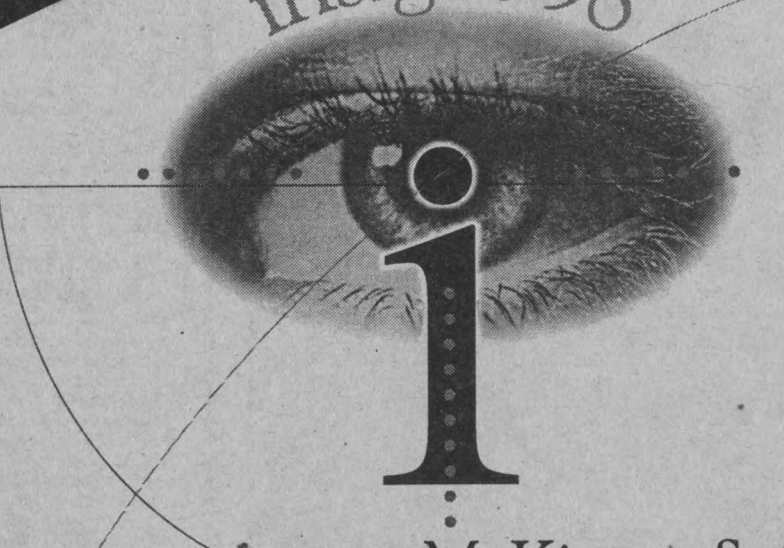
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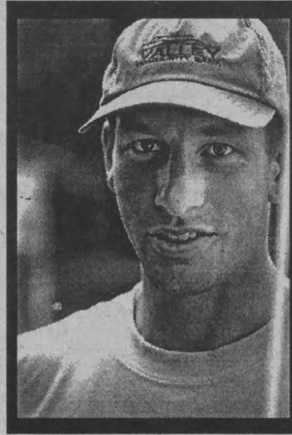
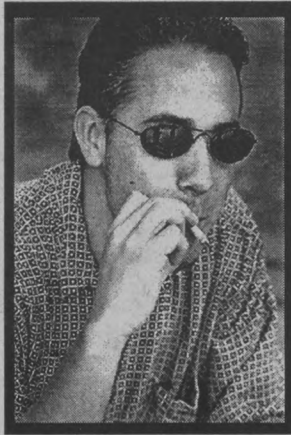
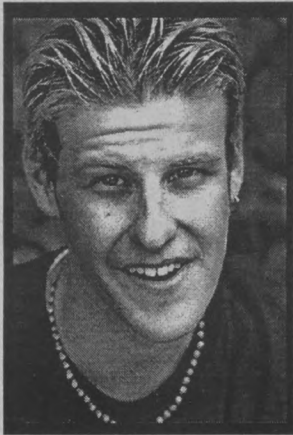
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junior  
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“  
A giant penis, 15-feet long.”

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sociology

“  
I was too drunk to remember what was going on.”

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“  
Horse shit on Del Playa.”

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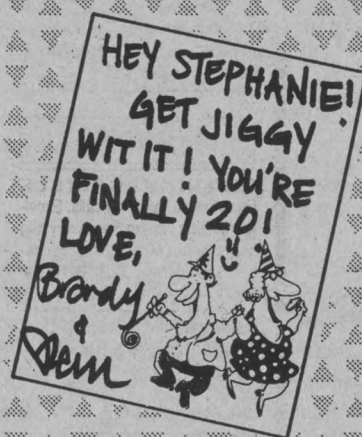
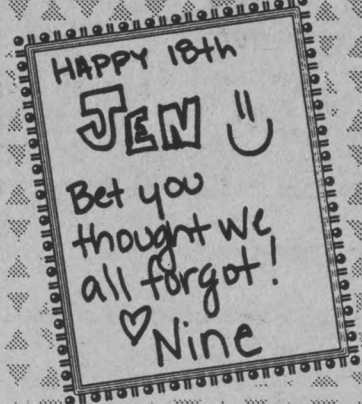
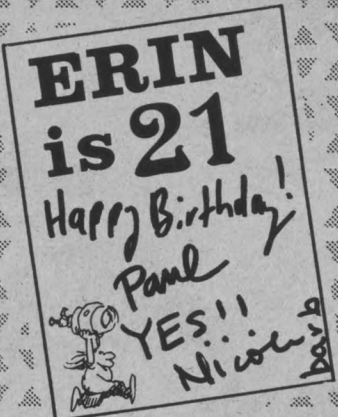


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# Sports

## Gauchos Waste Little Time in Disposing SLO

■ Balanced Attack Leads UCSB to Victory

BY SCOTT HENNESSEE  
Staff Writer

It has been said that the one thing you can't coach is speed. The UCSB women's volleyball team would disagree.

A week's worth of practice on getting off the net quickly after blocks and speeding up their ball movement on offense paid off big time for the Gauchos in their straight-game win over Cal Poly San Luis Obispo on Thursday night. Santa Barbara was barely challenged in the match, cruising to a 15-1, 15-12, 15-5 victory in the Thunderdome.

The win moves the #7 Gauchos to 21-3 overall (10-1 in the Big West Conference), while dropping SLO to 16-6 (6-5 in the Big West).

UCSB spread the wealth offensively, with five players registering six kills or more. Junior outside hitters Charlene Conley and Roberta Gehlke led the way with 12 put-aways apiece.

"Balance and quickness were the difference," Santa Barbara Head

Coach Kathy Gregory said. "Those two areas I liked in our team."

Cal Poly was overmatched for much of the contest, challenging UCSB briefly in game two with the score tied at 7-7. Junior middle blocker Michelle Christ would have none of that, however, following her own kill with a solo block to pull the Gauchos ahead 9-7. A few rotations later, Christ served four-straight points, mixing in an ace, to get Santa Barbara to game point.

"Michelle Christ was big in the second game," Gregory said. "I kept her in because she had the energy."

Christ credited the easy win to an all-around team effort.

"We have really good balance on our team," said Christ, who led all players with a .438 hitting percentage. "If one person is not picking it up, someone else picks up the slack."

It was Conley who stepped up to the head of the class in game three, pounding out seven of her 12 kills in the game. The Orange, Calif., native had only one hitting error in 27 attacks for a .407 hitting



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**GETTIN' DIGGY WIT' IT:** Junior Roberta Gehlke displays her All-American skills against Cal Poly as former Sports Editor Scott Hennessee looks on.

percentage.

With #1 Long Beach State and the #10 Pacific Tigers looming on the schedule next week, Conley was pleased the Gauchos could put a complete match together.

"It's good to build up our confidence and know we can play well together," the environmental studies major said.

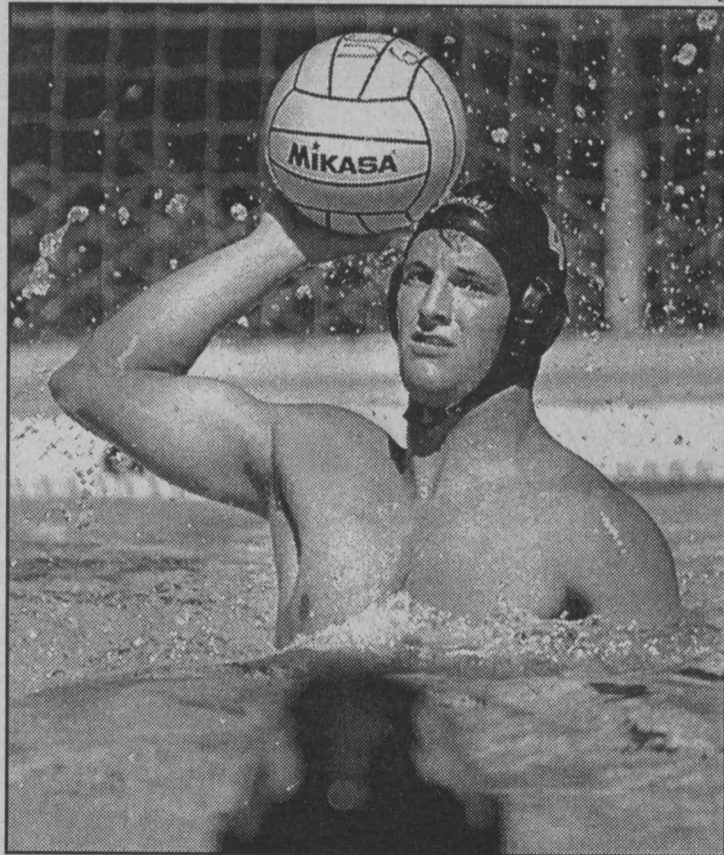
As a team, UCSB hit .333 while holding the Mustangs to a paltry .135 hitting percentage. Gregory credited assistant coaches Ted Gilkey and Mike Fitzgerald for preparing UCSB to shut down Cal Poly's middles.

"We stopped their middles," Gregory said. "We shut [Kari] Desoto down [to six kills and a .136

hitting percentage] and went one-on-one with a couple of their outsides, and their outsides couldn't do it."

When the Mustang hitters got past the Gaucho block, UCSB's back row stepped up with some big digs. Gehlke led the team with 15

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**FIRE AWAY:** Sophomore Tom Coughlan and the #9 UCSB water polo team look to upset #1 USC and #2 UC Irvine this weekend.

## Water Polo Looks Forward to Tough Test

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Many teams might be frightened of being pitted against the top-two teams in the nation on consecutive days. Not the #9 UCSB men's water polo team.

The Gauchos, coming off a loss last Friday to #6 Pepperdine, will face the #1 USC Trojans (15-1 overall, 4-0 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation) at Los Angeles on Saturday and then travel to play #2 UC Irvine (12-5, 2-1) on Sunday. However, before Santa Barbara (5-9, 0-5) gets in the pool with these two powerhouses, it must first get by #20 Loyola Marymount on Friday at UCSB's Campus Pool.

"I don't know if [LMU] is our toughest challenge, but it is our next one," UCSB Head Coach Joe O'Brien said. "That makes it our priority challenge. It's not like we get ahead of ourselves; we're not going to start planning on the USC or Irvine games just because they're [MPSF] league games. Our next game is Loyola, so we're going to go out there and I think that could be a good stepping stone for us to see how we play in that game and to make adjustments for the next day, and then come back for the 'SC game and the Irvine game."

O'Brien and the team look at the matches against the two top-ranked teams in the nation to be in UCSB's favor.

"We are in a great position," the fifth-year coach said. "All we have to do is go down there and play, and the harder we play, the better for us. We're going to these games in kind of an advantageous position because we have absolutely nothing to lose, so we can go out there and hopefully challenge ourselves, but enjoy it. I'm looking forward to them — a lot."

Last week, the Trojans faced off against the Anteaters in Irvine, and the game proved to be a battle. Southern Cal edged UCI in overtime 10-7. The loss ended the Anteaters' seven-game winning streak and extended USC's to three.

For the Gauchos to knock off either of these teams, they must shut down some hot hands from each squad: USC's sophomore driver George Csaszar had four points in the victory at Irvine, including the game-winner; UCI's senior two-meter man Ryan Bailey is the MPSF scoring leader.

The main force the Gauchos will look to in order to stop these two will be senior goalie Lance Wahlert. Wahlert has posted an impressive 7.54 goals against average so far this season and looks forward to the challenge.

"For USC, I know they are really fast and they have really good shooters," Wahlert said. "Irvine has some pretty good shooters, and their only big threat is [Bailey]. I think our defense is good enough that we can hold them."

## Women's Soccer Ends Season With Two-Game Trip Against Utah, UTEP

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They say everything is bigger in Texas.

After coming from behind and managing to tie #1 Pacific last Sunday, the UCSB women's soccer team is on to bigger and better things as it travels to El Paso, Texas, this weekend for its last two games of the season.

The Gauchos will celebrate Halloween by taking on the Utah Utes (12-11 overall) at 10 a.m. Then on Sunday, the Miners of the University of Texas, El Paso, (14-4 overall) will go up against Santa Barbara at 11 a.m. Both games are nonconference and will be played at UTEP. Despite the nonconference nature of the matches, the Gauchos are ready to play big.

"We are hoping to have some fun," UCSB Head Coach Kris Bassler-Horn said. "But we definitely want to come away with some big wins this weekend."

To prepare the Gauchos for the games in Texas, Bassler-Horn and Assistant Coach Paul Stumpf have been participating as players during Gaucho practices and scrimmages this week, showing off their veteran skills. The coaches' play has been very beneficial to Santa Barbara, according to junior midfielder Cindy Goebel.

"It is good for the team," Goebel said. "The coaches push us. It's just nice to see them out there working with us and teaching us."

According to Bassler-Horn, the student-teacher relationship between the coaches and players is a great learning experience for the team.

"We're getting a lot of playing done this week," Bassler-Horn said. "Me and Paul are playing, and the girls are learning from us."

Missing out on practice this week — due to an injury suffered in last Friday's game against Long Beach State — is freshman goalkeeper Mary Gleason. The injury came when Gleason came out of the box to challenge a 49er one-on-one. Gleason was kicked in the foot, but she still made the save.

"[The injury] is not serious," Gleason said. "It's just a severe bruise. I've been resting my foot this week, so it's getting better. I'll be ready by the weekend."

The Gauchos (3-13-1 overall, 1-7-1 in the Big West) will need Gleason in between the posts this weekend against two tough teams; the Utes have a gunner in junior forward Staci Burt, who has 29 points this season on 12 goals and five assists, and the UTEP Miners, ranked #1 in the Western Athletic Conference, will have a homefield advantage.