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Board Addresses Fate of Med School Policy

High Costs Warrant Business-Like Approach

By Olaina Gupta and Tim Molloy Staff Writers

The University of California Board of Regents convened Wednesday at UC San Francisco to weigh UC options for a future policy on academic medical

UC President Jack Peltason called for the formation of a committee to advise the board on the best possible course of ac-

tion in establishing future medi-cal center policy by the regents' March meeting.

"Business as usual is simply no longer possible," he said.
The discussion, which mono-

polized the meeting's agenda, considered the University's role in statewide health care and the means by which it can remain a competitive entity in the market.

The University operates six medical centers through medical

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Isla Vista Farmer's Market **Held After Crops Destroyed**

By Gina Moreno Reporter

The first Isla Vista Farmer's Market of the year was held Wednesday afternoon despite recent storms in the Santa Barbara area and complaints of low patronage.

The market's debut was initially scheduled for last week, but was delayed due to flood conditions throughout the

Nevertheless, a wide variety of produce farmers and craftsmen were on hand to sell their wares.

Although the I.V. Farmer's Market has at times experienced poor business since opening last May, recent cold weather has been the latest problem for the agricultural technicians, according to some farmers.

However, some local farmers, such as Mike Martin of Risley Farms in Goleta, have actually been assisted economically by the floods.

Because of the destroyed crops, fresh vegetables have become scarce. "The losses drive the market price up," Martin

A wide variety of food, featuring items in season, was still available Wednesday, according to Joe DeSaias of Goleta Valley Organic, a local farm operating on 125 acres.

"Broccoli, cabbage, onions, celery, chard — those are all winter crops. Lettuce grows all year round here, but right now it's expensive," DeSaias said. "Strawberries, corn, tomatoes, chiles, watermelon, cucumbers and squash are spring and summer crops."

Fairview Garden Farms, another local grower, produces Mandarin oranges, cilantro, tur-nips, onions, garlic and cherimoyas, but refuses to participate in the I.V. Farmer's Market. Instead they offer their goods at the Santa Monica Farmer's Market

in Los Angeles County.
"Santa Monica has the lar farmer's market in California and brings in the most money for

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A row of cheerful Panda Express employees serve their suey with a smile. University Center restaurants like this have been enjoying a healthy customer tumout since their opening.

Campus Dining Establishments Anticipate Increased Business, Mexican Food Eatery

By Erin Barry Reporter

With the first quarter of operation behind them, University Center restaurants are now looking toward winter for the true test of success.

UCen businesses did well during Fall Quarter and are expected to attract more patrons with the opening of the Mexican food restaurant Chilito's in February, according to UCen Director Alan Kirby.

"They all came online throughout the course of the fall," he said. "We opened succession. We're just now looking at starting up this quarter in January."

By February, all restaurants

will be completed and moved in to the UCen, which already houses Wendy's, Panda Express, Romaine's, Paterno, Montagu's, and Nicoletti's.

The eateries are run primarily by students, who constitute approximately 400 out of the 415 employees, according to

Eric Osterhues, a senior law and society major, manages Montagu's, which he said made a minimal profit during

"The whole point is we're paying for food and labor, we're not paying rent or any-thing," he said. "The profit that Paterno's and Romaine's in is made is not too high. It's enough so we have money coming back in to cover other expenses. It's not like the food is making much net profit. It's

not a profit-oriented or motivated thing we're into here."

At Panda Express, students' budgets were taken into account when planning restaurant prices, in comparison to their downtown Santa Barbara location, according to assistant

manager Kevin Hashimoto.
"The prices of the combo plates are 10 cents cheaper," he said. "Otherwise, it's basically the same."

The establishments receive much of their business during rushes which generally occur around lunchtime, according to restaurant managers.

"It gets busy right at noon and everyone is working frantically to get the line down," Osterhues said. "As soon as clas-

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Death-Defying Restaurateur Helps



Former diver Sherry Piatt, surrounded by her employees at the Blue Dolphin Cafe, runs the restaurant with an ecological edge.

By Sylvia Luis Staff Writer

A near-death experience caused a UCSB undergraduate to give up her dreams of mar-ine biology, resulting in a popular and environmentally friendly eating establishment in

In 1977, Blue Dolphin Cafe owner Sherry Piatt came to UCSB in pursuit of a degree in biology. While taking a field research diving course on Catalina Island, Piatt's nearly fatal incident occurred.

"For some reason that nobody knows of, I got decompression sickness, only it should have never happened," she said. "The partial pressure of a gas increases and if you have too much gas absorbed it stays in your bloodstream and then, as you come up in the water column, the pressure decreases and then the water bubbles expand, coming out of your blood stream. It is very painful."

After being advised to never dive again, Piatt realized she would never be able to achieve her dream of being a marine biologist.

Piatt then worked in a UCSB biology laboratory, but her outgoing personality was not easily accepted in the lab.

"I did not care for that. I really didn't fit in," she said. "Once I did a cartwheel down the hall and got in a lot of trouble."

Piatt worked at several odd jobs, including one as a parttime employee at Pizza Bob's, near her restaurant's present location. Her decision to start her own business was initiated by a lack of money during the

holidays and her love for cooking. "I said, 'Bob, can I make Christmas cookies and sell them at the counter and give you a percentage?' So I made chocolate chip cookies, and they were pretty good, too," she said. "I always loved to bake. I guess that's my femi-

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HEADLINERS

Suits Over Promotional Plan Approved

WASHINGTON (AP) Customers can sue an airline that cuts back benefits for frequent-flier miles they already have saved, the Supreme Court said Wednesday.

The 6-2 ruling allows a breach-of-contract claim to go forward against American Airlines, inventor of the popular frequent-flier plans now offered by every major airline.

A 1978 federal airline deregulation law does not bar such lawsuits in state courts, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote for the court.

"A remedy confined to a contract's terms simply holds parties to their agreements - in this instance, to business judgments an airline made public about its rates and services," she wrote.

"We think it's a great victory for consumers," said Gilbert Gordon, the lawyer representing the American frequent-flier club members who sued the airline in a classchief financial officer of AMR Corp., American's parent company, characterized the ruling as a partial victory.

"We expect to vigorously contest the claim.



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> Gilbert Gordon lawyer

action case. He said the class represents at least 4 million American frequent-flier members.

An Illinois court now will be asked to decide whether American properly reserved the right to retroactively restrict frequent-flier benefits in

Michael Durham,

We feel completely justified in the changes that we made," he said, adding that the company used a disclaimer reserving the right to change

the program. Several airlines, including American, are imposing new restrictions this year on their frequent-flier benefits by

requiring more travel miles to earn a free ticket.

The decision largely upheld an Illinois Supreme Court ruling that let frequent-flier club members sue American over restrictions it imposed to hold down costs.

American started the first frequent-flier program in 1981 as a temporary promotion, allowing people to earn free or discounted tickets based on the number of miles they traveled with the airline.

In 1988, American limited the number of seats used on each flight for free or discounted tickets. It also said passengers could no longer use such tickets on heavy travel days such as Christmas Thanksgiving.

S.F. Modern Art Museum Opens; Second Largest in U.S.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - The nation's largest modern art museum outside New York opened Wednesday, and backers pointed to lines stretching around the block as a response to the chilly anti-art wind blowing out of Congress.

The \$60 million San Francisco Modern Art Museum's "open eye" skylight and architecture stole the show from the work inside, which ranges from Jackson Pollock oils to a porcelain statue of Michael Jackson and Bubbles.

A seemingly endless line of eager art viewers some who arrived four hours before the opening, waited impatiently as dignitaries opened the doors.

Although privately funded by donations from well-known San Francisco families, the museum is built on redevelopment agency land and is part of the renovation of the once decrepit neighborhood ar-

Opening day was cho-sen to coincide with the 60th anniversary of the inauguration of the original museum on Van Ness Avenue.

In the new facility,



much of the 225,000 square feet of floor space houses a theater, work-shops, offices and storage

To show off its 15,000 works, the museum will have 50,000 square feet for exhibits. Highlights of MOMA's collection include works by Pollock, Henri Matisse, Paul Klee, Diego Rivera, Andy War-hol and sculptor Richard

1,000 Peacekeepers Short of Provisions, Heat in Sarajevo

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — The United Nations commander for Bosnia failed Wednesday to solve a dispute with the Bosnian government that has left nearly 1,000 U.N. peacekeepers short of food and heat in bitter mid-winter.

Lt. Gen. Sir Michael Rose returned emptyhanded from a trip to Tuzla in north-central Bosnia, where the U.N. has tried for a year to per-suade the Serbs to allow aid flights to a nearby airport.

Government troops have been blockading 450 U.N. soldiers at the airfield and nearly 600 others in the region for eight days. U.N. officials angered the government by allowing a Serb liaison officer onto the airfield Jan. 8 as a guarantee against its military

The Serbs have continued to bar aid flights, prompting the government on Monday to give the U.N. until Feb. 1 to open the Tuzla airport or withdraw.

The last U.N. helicopter flight to and from Tuzla airport was Jan. 11. Philip



Jerichow, a U.N. spokesman, said food was being rationed at the base and forward observation points were withdrawing from the nearly 240-mile front line because they were running out of provisions.

"There are cease-fire violations all along the confrontation line, but our soldiers cannot go out to the observation points,"

Death Toll Tops 3,000; Some Say Gov't Was Unprepared

KOBE, Japan (AP) -Some hungry survivors got a single rice ball, a makeshift morgue did without coffins and hospitals struggled to find antibiotics and blood.

As the death toll topped 3,000 in Kobe's earthquake disaster, thousands tried to flee the city, many of them bandaged as they limped past huge piles of rubble and collapsed buildings.

Raging fires that erupted after Tuesday's quake had mostly died out Wednesday, leaving a sooty, gray pallor that heightened the sense of dismay in the city of 1.4 million.

Rescuers, often working with bare hands, sifted through the ruins looking for survivors. But hopes faded for the 870 people still listed as missing.

By early Thursday, Ja-

panese police reported that 3,021 people had been killed in the quake. More than 14,500 were injured and nearly 20,000 buildings heavily damaged or destroyed.



Criticism mounted that Japanese authorities, despite their long experience with earthquakes, were clearly unprepared for a disaster of this magnitude.

"City officials didn't come here at all, so we had to do everything ourselves," complained Yukiji Matsui, a volunteer running an evacuation

Researchers Knew Radiation **Test Subjects Were Healthy**

WASHINGTON (AP) - Researchers knew that some of the patients injected with plutonium in the 1940s in governmentsponsored experiments were relatively healthy, according to papers uncovered by a presidential advisory panel.

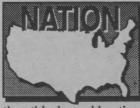
At least 18 people were subjected to doses of plutonium as part of secret tests between 1945 and 1947. A previously released report suggested the subjects were chronically ill and that their survival beyond 10 years was "highly improbable."

But a third of the patients actually lived beyond 10 years, including four who lived for 30 years after the experiments. None was ever told they had been given plutonium.

Documents found by the Advisory Committee on Human Radiation Ex-

periments show, however, that the research program had no clear requirement to select only patients with chronic or terminal illnesses, investigators said.

The panel has been charged with reviewing



the ethical considerations surrounding this country's Cold War-era radiation research involving humans.

The plutonium tests of the 1940s were highly secret and were not widely known about until late 1992 as the result of stories in the Albuquerque Tribune in which some of the victims for the first time were identified.

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I've developed a new theory about society; one that was prompted by, of all things, the weather. You've no doubt heard of ways of looking at this human experience called life that contend that the passage of time is linear — that there is such a thing as progress and we are collectively moving within its flow. Other models offer a more cyclical view — that history tends to repeat itself in an only slightly different manner with the addition of years.

I think that neither of these view gets as close to the true nature of existence than the way of looking at things I learned from my front door. You see, ever since the weather warmed up, my door has gone back to sticking and more or less being a pain in the ass to open. This is mostly because I live in I.V., but a certain natural force is at work as well — the fascinating phenomena of expansion and contraction.

My door gets broader at some times (when it warms up) and shrinks at others (when it gets cold). So it is with human consciousness, which goes through periods of growth and dynamic intellectual advancement and exploration as well as times of contractions when simplemindedness dominates and new ideas are shunned. So wanna place bets on what period we're in? Who do you love? Enjoy the glow.

New Appointments, Park Fees and Bylaw Revision Addressed Tonight

By Sylvia Luis Staff Writer

The Isla Vista Recreation and Park District's bimonthly board meeting will discuss the process of organizing their personnel committee as well as community projects tonight.

The meeting will open with vox populi — the opportunity for the public to speak or bring up new

Committee reports will then be presented to the public and the Bylaws Committee will begin revising district legislation, according to Director Geoff Green.

"We're going to be discussing the bylaws for the district. A preliminary committee has been formed to review the bylaws and update them so they are in a form that makes them usable to the district," he said. "When you're dealing with a body such as the board of directors for the IVRPD, the bylaws are your ground rules and they need to be fairly specific."

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growers," said a farm representative who wished to

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remain anonymous.

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Geoff Green director IVRPD

ongoing projects such as the Community Planting Day scheduling for Perfect Park, Estero recreation area play fields, the adoption of a harassment policy and a revision of the general manager's contract and annual pay increase.

and annual pay increase.

Also on the agenda is the appointment and employment of a new office manager, and an update will be presented in regard to the Chase family blufftop properties.

New business will include consideration of a public employee appointment, discussion concerning the district's relationship with the Isla Vista

Farmer's Market manager,

emphasized the need for

student shoppers. "The

market needs community support in order to be there," she said. Gradually, more people

are beginning to use the

Public Improvements Corporation and an appointment of members to the Personnel Committee.

"The most significant thing is to choose members for the Personnel Committee. The way they structured it is there are two members of the board and three of the public," said General Manager Roger Lagerquist. "The board asked for applications and we've received five."

Another significant new agenda item will be the consideration of revising the rules and lowering fees for renting the Anisq' Oyo' Park Amphitheatre — a decision which could have a major effect on local residents, according to Director Mitch Stockton.

"The item of most inter-

"The item of most interest to anybody on the agenda is lowering the fees for Anisq' Oyo' Park," he said. "It's going to be the most impact for people in I.V. in general. What it's going to mean is more music for I.V. and more opportunity for local bands."

The IVRPD board meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. at 961 Embarcadero Del Mar.

market in the university village, according to McIntosh. In the future, she plans to place a suggestion box at the market so customers can offer ideas on how to improve it.

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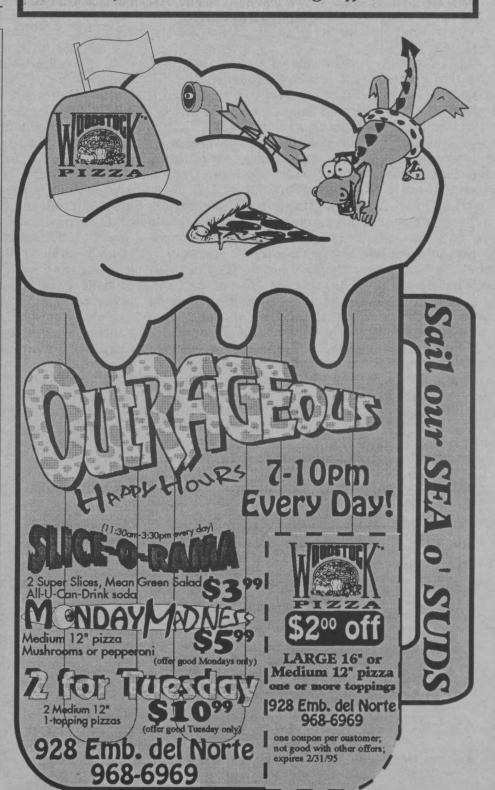
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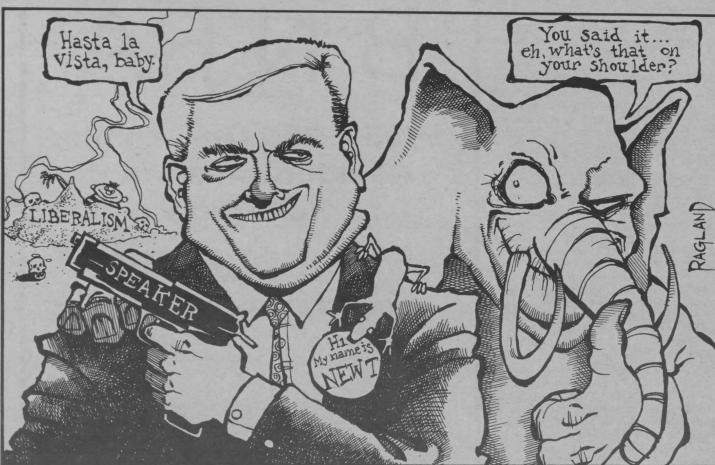
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OPINION

"I am merely an advertisement for a version of

-David Byrne



Facing the Firing Squad

Worthwhile Programs are Threatened by Newt's Proposals

Editorial

What exactly is it that's wrong with our country? It's gotta be those darn volunteers.

Or perhaps it's the National Endowment for the Arts. The money's just draining out of our government's coffers and into the pockets of those artistsslash-leeches.

No — federally funded television programming. Yup, that's gotta be it. The secret's out now: Big Bird is heading a top-secret conspiracy to put our country into debt. That's the ticket.

Dramatic? Overblown? Ridiculous?

Of course. It's not community volunteers or avant-garde artists who are draining our national economy, and Oscar the Grouch, however cantank-

erous, is hardly out to get the good ol' U.S. of A. So tell that to Newt Gingrich and his compatriots in the new Republican regime as they energetically proceed to attack these programs, making them out to be the downfall of our country. It seems that lately, our new House Speaker has decided to go after what he perceives as representative of the Clinton Administration, and in so doing, is placing these three, among others, up on the chopping block for some severely painful budget cuts.

The Clinton-originated Community Service Corps, through which volunteers serve for two years and are given a small stipend and college tuition assistance as their reward, is one such organization that is particularly ripe for a Newtian onslaught. Gingrich claims that the public should be responsible for contributing in order to keep this program alive in the wake of what he feels are necessary cuts in federal funding.

What he either fails or perhaps just refuses to realize is that the Community Service Corps is simply a good exchange. What could be bad about trading much-needed volunteer service for a more highly educated public? As the cliché runs, it's a win-win situation.

Also facing Newt's monetary firing squad is the National Endowment for the Arts. No stranger to concessions to the religious right, Gingrich is apparently bowing and scraping more than ever for this sect. Granted, the NEA has certainly seen its share of controversy, but this is not sufficient cause for the cutting or elimination of its funding. Once again, Gingrich is targeting not what is truly problematic in this country, but rather what he and his followers see as manifestations of the liberal Clinton era.

Much heated debate has surrounded one of Gingrich's most hotly contested attacks — public broadcasting - and for good reason. His proposal to eliminate the federally assisted Public Broadcasting System poses a threat to one of America's most valuable television channels, as well as to one of its most beloved institutions — the show Sesame Street - all for the sake of cutting the budget by a relatively small \$200 million. National Public Radio broadcasting would also be affected by such budgetary slashes, leaving a good number of rural areas without their sole source of news.

Here Gingrich defends himself with the same argument he uses regarding the Community Service Corps: If the public wants to retain this program, they need to expend their own resources to do so. Such privatization of these broadcasts, however, will ruin their very nature, which is based upon enabling the audience to receive information and quality entertainment without having commercialism forced down their throats.

Newt Gingrich and his followers, in their attempt to save our nation, are placing politics before services. Taking away these programs will not really do anything to achieve this goal, but rather, it will be taking away an essential, necessary and good facet of American life.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



Doonesbury







It's Easy to E

Allison Landa

We were sitting last night at a 24-hour coffeehouse the ads boast, conveniently downtown, just one block It's a pretty trippy place. My friends and I go there a study, get high off of Vanila Nut and Mexican Organi when the plethora of Santa Barbara sights has be Need I say, then, that we're there constantly?

But last night, I noticed something that I've been su block out the entire time I've patronized this place. On found it hard to believe I hadn't noticed it earlier, and

how close to home it actually hit.

Being one of the only 24-hour establishments in th place certainly sees its share of bizarre comings and goi customers. I've personally witnessed nuns grabbing a n in the morning, a police officer with what I could have on his arm (but don't swear me to it) downing an esp haired young gentleman in the middle of frying on some mutely at his still-full strawberry soda as if expecting

As I said, it's a trippy place. A quite fascinating so one might say.

Being open all the time, particularly downtown, le



The Reader's Voice

Can't Agree

Editor, Daily Nexus: While I respect and acknowledge Mr. Babusis' point of view (Daily Nexus, "Abortion: America's Silent Holocaust," Jan. 10), I can't say that I agree with it on a logical basis. Here is why.

Mr. Babusis, you compare abortion to the Holocaust when

there truly is no comparison at all. Of the many millions of people slaughtered during the Holocaust, all of them were killed for reasons like religion (Jews), ethnicity (non-Aryans) or sexual orientation (homosexuals), and while there were abortions performed by the Nazis, these were forced abortions to prevent the procreation of any inferior group(s) as deemed by the Nazis. Of the 30,000,000 abortions you speak of, I'm sure that a lot of them were for "unwanted" pregnancies, but how many of those abortions occurred as a result of rape? Incest? Life-threatening medical complications? Probably too many to mention, so why mention these circumstances at all, right?

Another point to this is that these abortions were all performed voluntarily and not against the mother's will or desire - in other words, not by force. Another big difference. Still, this doesn't make abortion a "correct" cause, but this leads into the question of what you consider the 100 percent perfect birth-control method: abstinence. In a biblically moral, perfect world, I could see the possibility of unmarried couples practicing it or only performing the clinical act of sex/ romantic act of making love solely for the purpose of procreation, but let's get realistic. Humans desire and desire leads to situations

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Encounter the Homeless at Local Espresso Bar

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town, leads to another issue.

Mixed in with the nuns, cops, hookers, freaks and students struggling to understand Voltaire are a good number of homeless people.

They are pitifully obvious, even amongst the mixed bag of clientele fre-

quenting the place. Three or four layers of clothing, matted hair and often a ragged pillow or blanket they drag about, looking like *Peanuts'* Linus gone

This night, I was chugging a capuccino and attempting to translate the academic jargon gibberish that political science literature so often flings my way when, out of the corner of my eye, I saw a homeless man, jacket in one hand, tattered canvas bag flung over his shoulder, being unceremoniously thrown out by one of the coffee shop's employees. These employees, to their credit, usually let these people be and roam as they will, so long as they don't bother anybody. But it seems as though this person had been pestering customers for money, so he was history, tossed into the chilly night air.

In past instances, I've always somewhat ridden the fence when it came to what some so diplomatically call the "homeless problem." I can't say that I've ever given money to someone who came up to me on the street and asked for it; it has less to do with stinginess and more to do with the fact that I just didn't believe in giving away cash for the asking. However, I've never been one of these people who firmly insists that each and every homeless person out there can find a job, "if they only get off their lazy asses and try," as a particular rabid Republican, with whom I have the distinct misfortune to be associated,

I suppose you could call me part of Paul Tsongas' "passionate center" —

I've always felt that something needs to be done, but I don't know what that nebulous "something" is. And, I have to admit, I have never made an attempt

But even before last night, when the simple act of watching a person without shelter be thrown into the cold, the issue of privilege, of haves and have nots, has been percolating around in my mind as of late. I grew up with and around privilege, basically not wanting for much and usually getting whatever it was that I desired. I was no exception amongst my friends; as a matter of fact, most of them had far more than I did when it came to material possessions. Luxurious houses and amazing playthings, be they Barbie limousines or actual Porsches and BMWs for our parents and even ourselves, more clothes and baubles and useless garbage than we knew what to do with. Homeless people were who we saw on the television, read about in the newspapers and occasionally saw on the street when we ventured into the mean streets of downtown San Diego for the evening.

I'll never forget one particular friend of mine who was so naive that she inquired of a homeless man asking for money: "Do you take a check? How about Visa?" The sad thing is that she was not kidding — that is how completely unaware she was of the reality of this person's situation. I did not give him money, out of what I felt to be a sense of principle. As cliched as it may sound, I believed in giving opportunity, not charity.

That was the rationale I spouted in high school, back in the days when debt

was not a word I knew, when money almost literally grew on trees and whatever I wanted could be bought on Daddy's credit card.

But, for a myriad of fairly painful family-related reasons, those days ended the minute I registered as a UCSB student. The money dam had dried up and I was on my own. And although I survived and have a home and possessions I can call my own, it is far easier now to empathize with those who lie shivering on the concrete in the middle of the night, sometimes with makeshift cardboard shelters to block out a fraction of the wind, sometimes with nothing between them and the cold but layers of thrashed clothing.

Although it seems as though I am far from that point, I realize that I am truly not. The privilege in which I was reared as a child allowed me to be admitted into this university, which in turn allowed me to receive financial aid, as well as the two jobs through which I support myself. I am not bragging, not attempting to impress anybody. I am simply speaking the truth. If it were not for this money, I very well could be huddled out there on the pavement with the rest of those people we label as homeless.

Perhaps this is why I always see the rest of the customers at our favorite coffeehouse move away, either subtly or overtly, when one of these people approaches. Perhaps they see their circumstances as a contagious condition, and they might just realize how very close they truly are, how very close we all are, to that condition.

I don't know how to solve it. I don't even know where to start. I don't know what is right or wrong or fair or unfair or politically correct or not. It seems as though, even after two and a half years of so-called higher education, I actually know a lot less than I thought I did, back when I was cushioned by my parents' fat wallets and ignorant ideals of hard work, opportunity and where they get us. And I still don't really know what to say or do when those frail wraiths approach me from out of nowhere, holding out their hands and uttering stories and pleas.

But I do know one thing: it's damn cold out there.



Allison Landa is a Nexus opinion editor.

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teach people that it is ess embarrassing to oms, get a prescripl or get a diaphragm n to have to make an to terminate a preis is, of course, if the at stick to abstinence r abstinence was initially

I know that some of you have a bit of trouble with ght of teaching kids about s and the bees, and there's wrong with that, since it quite an uneasy subject to with the little ones. But f the trouble(s) you'll be g in the form of a teenage cy. Think of the many you'll be sparing yourself ur family from, such as inancial and societal.

ild born out of an unpregnancy does not ree necessary love and, due ct, will most likely go out nmit the same grave misparents did, regardless of tanding or religion or

whatever. On the subject of religion, let me point out that more death and misery has been brought upon people as a function of belief in the God that you speak of. Under the guise of holiness, millions of people were killed in the name of God during the Span-ish Inquisition (a Catholic-backed movement) and the infamous Christian Crusades, and I wonder how many of the victims of these two aberrations were actually pregnant mothers. Probably lots, since it was an accepted practice to kill future generations of

On more contemporary terms, zis did their thing, the Catholic Church in Germany did nothing to prevent their doings, and weren't most Nazis of Christian belief? But enough with the finger-pointing. I'll just finish by saying that I do respect your opinion, Mr. Babusis, and it was very interesting reading it since it gave me much to think about and consider in life. Life. What a wonderful choice. Choice. What a wonderful word, which also leads me to commend you for at least acknowledging that choice exists. That shows education on your part and this I

must say in all honesty I admire. As far as for being old-fashioned and out of touch, well, that's up to interpretation and my interpretation is that you are moral. As for myself, maybe I'll burn in Hell for writing what I have written, but not for abandoning a child due to lack of knowledge on the biological ramifications of no birth control. You see, I'm educated as well, and while it may be in something you might consider immoral, I know I won't be part of the mistake you expect the likes of me to commit.

HENRY J. SARRIA

Kids Should Get High on Truth

Travis Lund Moon

Scare tactics don't work, unfortunately. We've seen the evidence of this lately during discussions of whether to teach only abstinence or comprehensive sex education. A common argument of abstinence-only supporters: If a young person is going to have sex and we give them condoms, should we give young drug users clean needles? The prevention programs such as D.A.R.E. are not effective because they fail to teach reality-based prevention methods.

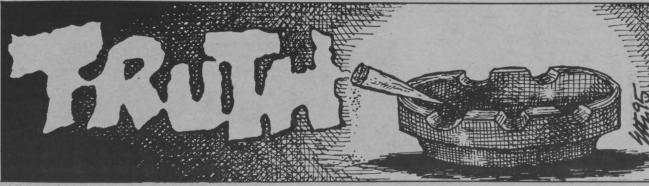
No, we do not give anyone clean needles, but, like sex education, we should give them the truth. Truth is stranger than fiction, someone once said, and in the case of drug abuse prevention, honesty can serve as more of a deterrent for

meet, however artificially, legitimate human needs. And they are all dangerous.

If this were not true, people would not be killing and dying for their dope. Is it really necessary, then, to tell children that LSD will cause them to jump out windows, thinking they can fly, if that is just a myth? And what about vivid "flashbacks"? An ex-LSD user recently told me that he is "still waiting for the flashbacks they've been promising me!" As students grow older and begin to experiment with drugs and alcohol, they will surely find out that they have been lied to and this will cause them to wonder what other misin-

formation have they been taught.

Is it really irresponsible to teach children that all drugs have their pluses and minuses, acknowledging the pluses as to lend the preventionist some credibility, and then hammer



children than inaccurate scare tactics

It has become less and less commonplace to discuss drug use and abuse in their simplest terms to understand them. If a child asks why people engage in sex, how many parents or educators have the honesty to answer, "Because it feels good, but ...," and then proceed with a lecture? "Why do people do drugs?" Before answering, "Because they're trying to escape from reality, because they cave in to peer pressure, because they're trying to ease their pain, etc.," why not first answer honestly with "Because drugs make one feel

Something different needs to be done, and fast. All the latest statistics point to greater numbers of secondary students across the nation using more marijuana, LSD and alcohol than ever before. It seems absurd to show pictures of down-and-out addicts on Skid Row lying on the sidewalk to students and promise them that drugs will turn them into the same pitiful person in the picture. It's a scary thought for elementary-aged children, but laughable to older students who know that people pay big dollars for drugs and it isn't because they want to be homeless junkies, sleeping in the street or spending time in prison. Drugs feel good. They

home the minuses in an open and honest discussion? This will allow the youth the opportunity to make the best possible informed choice if, or when, he is confronted with making the decision whether to use or abuse drugs. Don't tell him that marijuana is deadly if it isn't. Tell him that if he wants to be a high-achieving student, the effects of marijuana tend to impede those kinds of goals. It won't kill the body or damage chromosomes, but it is infamous for killing and destroying will power for doing things that need to be

There are hundreds of good reasons for young people to fully abstain from using drugs. However, the honest reasons tend to be more subtle and less dramatic than the scary, dishonest promises of most prevention programs. This does not make the honest warnings any less relevant or significant, though. It means that, like with sex education, we need to strive to develop open, honest lines of communication between child and parent, and student and teacher, with the goal being honest, reality-based substance abuse prevention education that works. The truth will set them free.

Travis Lund Moon is a frequent Nexus contributor.

Continued from p.1 graduate programs in Los Angeles, San Diego, Irvine, Riverside, Davis and San Francisco.

"Costs are insupportable by people paying the bills. We can't afford the medical system as it exists today," said Leonard Schaeffer, president and chief executive officer of Blue Cross of California. who presented information on the changing scope of national health care policy and its effect on the UC medical system.

Economic realities have made it nearly impossible for medical schools to exist solely as teaching facilities, according to UC Health Affairs Vice President Cornelius L. Hopper.

The expense of maintaining a hospital, even one with the aim of educating medical students, forces the University to approach administration

Continued from p.1 ses get out, the line develops."

Although lines may get

Continued from p.1 In 1985, Piatt bought Blue Dolphin Cafe on a whim, naming the restaurant after her favorite animal.

"It was basically guts," she said. "I'm very determined and do a lot of stuff just by the seat of my pants.'

Although Piatt was resolved to make the restaurant a success, several peers doubted her entrepreneurial abilities.

"Some people told me I couldn't be the owner because I was too young and others told me I couldn't do it because I was female," she said. "It was hilarious what I was told." Since the café opened in

from a business angle to a greater extent than before.

"Our academic medical centers are deeply and unavoidably involved in market-related, highly competitive business activities that we refer to collectively as the 'clinical enterprise," Hopper said.

The regents mulled over several possible scenarios for future health care administration as presented by Schaeffer and Jordan Cohen, Association of American Medical Colleges president.

Much of the conflict in medical school administration lies in simultaneously fulfilling a responsibility to the community to provide quality affordable health care and educating students, according to Peltason.

"This is a question that has been raised and dealt with by other universities throughout the United States and whatever options may be available to

lengthy, students do not have to wait long, according to Wendy's manager Sheri Walker.

"It's been going quickly," she said. "We have three registers."

1985, Piatt has had a policy of extending her ecological concerns to the running of the restaurant.

"We recycled here before it became popular. It has to be something really important to you," she said. "I want all my employees to believe that preserving the wildlife is the key to the future."

Annually, the café donates all the proceeds from one day of work to a particular wildlife fund, in addition to other activities, Piatt said.

"Last year, we did the Marine Mammal. We say all the profits that day go to them," she said. "We've held other activities, like beach cleanups, and my employees are strongly urged to participate."

Piatt's environmental

them, it is my conviction that as a practical matter we have no other choice," he said. "Of course, we can explore ways to reduce our liability over time, but at this moment in history, this board and these chancellors cannot avoid responsibility for the operation of these hospitals."

Cohen warned the regents against any plan for the medical center, dependent upon the anticipation of federal funding.

There is no white knight that's going to come out of Washington to provide a kind of safety for academic medicine, he said.

Cohen further advised the regents of their options in governing the centers. He suggested abandoning academic medicine as a goal of the University, denuding University-run medical centers, collaborating with local hospitals to educate students and finding a niche in existing programs rather than op-

In order to increase business, restaurants have advertised extensively and have relied on word of mouth from the student body, Kirby said.

"We can support all five concerns have been an inspiration for longtime friend and café floor manager Michelle Bynum.

"I've known Sherry for all my life. She used to baby-sit me and teach me swimming lessons," By-num said. "Sherry's always pushing to recycle and at least in my case it's carried home."

Café profits are not as important as respecting the environment and creating a familial atmosphere among her workers, according to Piatt.

"If I won the lottery, I would divide up the money for my family and take my part and buy as much land as I can to preserve the land," she said.

Blue Dolphin Cafe cook Martin Zamora has been working at the venture erating independently.

Schaeffer informed the board of possible ramifications of marketing the UCrun medical centers as a statewide health care conglomerate, sharing background on health care at the national level with the

"We have in this country the finest health care system in human history," he said. "The problem is, we can't afford it."

Schaeffer echoed sentiments previously discussed by Cohen in cautioning the board against organizing its own health care plan. He also suggested participating in existing managed-care systems, maintaining independence by filling a particular niche and considering downsizing.

Following Cohen's and Schaeffer's suggestions, John Lundberg, the regents' general counsel, discussed legal consequences of any potential decisions by the board,

restaurants quite well," he said. "We haven't begun to reach our maximum limit. There are a number of people who haven't even tried our restaurants vet."

since it first opened 10 years ago.

Piatt helped Zamora become a legal citizen and fought for over seven years for him to become legitimate by law.

"I just want to live here in the United States and I am just really happy to be here," Zamora said. "I like it a lot because I'm still

Piatt's attitude, her philosophy of enjoying life and not becoming obsessed with work is what really gives the Blue Dolphin Cafe a friendly and comfortable atmosphere.

"You have to spend so much of your life working, you might as well have a good time doing it," Piatt said. "I think you can have fun and be professional at the same time."

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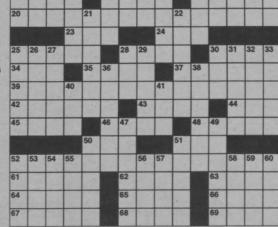
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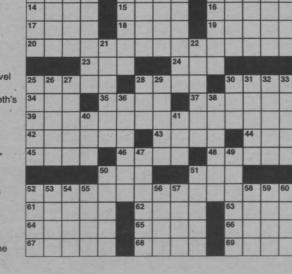
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ike an excited little kid in a candy shop, the smile of Tecon Madden ran from ear to ear as he described the first time he ever dunked a basketball during a game. Playing at Ca-ñada Junior College, the 5'10" Madden had been hearing from his teammates all season how he had never dunked.

"My teammates were ragging on me, saying, 'We can't be the phi-slamma-jamma because you're the only guy who hasn't

dunked," Madden explained as he set up the scenario. "The next night I got a steal on the wing and decided to go hard to the basket. I went up with two hands and the defender jumped and I slammed it on him. It was a body check and he fell to the ground. But I hung on the rim, and when I came down I was thinking, 'I just dunked this

guy."
That season, Madden ended up being a First Team All-State selection after averaging 21 points, six assists and five rebounds per game. A year later, he became a Gaucho, as a member of the UCSB men's basketball

In his first season at Santa Barbara, Madden played in all 30 games, including 22 starts and a team-high 884 minutes played. However, with the Gaucho backcourt relatively thin and inexperienced, Madden The leadership of senior Tecon Madden. was forced to move

from off-guard, the position he 19 points, four assists and five

team's point guard. sometimes not doing things on an instinctive basis.

With the '93-'94 campaign halfway over, Madden finally had the game that he had been hoping for. Unfortunately for UC Irvine, on Jan. 29, 1994, Madden scored a career-high 27 points and dished out five

"That game was my comingout party. I needed a game like that for my confidence level, for my shooting, for my overall game," he said.

As an encore, Madden tallied

had played all of his life, to the rebounds two days later against am's point guard.

St. Joseph's in a nationally televised ESPN Big Monday game. fenses was hampered by the fact However, after already running that he wasn't sure about what on chronically injured ankles we really wanted, and the duties that he had since high school, that his new position called for," Madden reinjured his wrist a UCSB Head Coach Jerry Pimm week later against San Jose said. "He was very hesitant, and State. The series of injuries resulted in his inability to reach double figures in scoring in all

but one of the Gauchos' remaining nine games.

Nonetheless, with the '93-'94 experience under his belt, Madden entered this season with more confidence in his abilities and his position on the floor. While the tempo of the Gaucho offense is not as fast as some were anticipating, Madden's ability to push the ball and find the open man is a key reason why the Gauchos are off to a 9-4

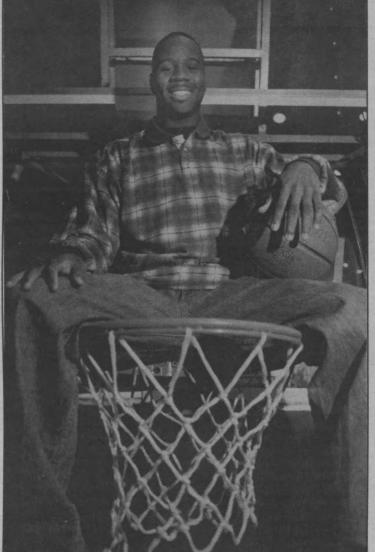
> While his shooting is still consistently inconsistent, Madden's assist-to-turnover ratio is just over 2-to-1 (53-25) through 13 games. Additionally, he is averaging nearly two steals per contest. However, many of those stats don't mean anything unless Madden feels that he made a contribution to help the team win.

"That Nevada game, I still think about it today," Madden said, referring to last week's zero-point and zero-assist performance at the University of Nevada, Reno. "If I would have at least scored four or five points or dished out three or four assists, we would have won the game. I was just a body out there. I felt I didn't contribute and I felt that I let not only myself down, but also my teammates down."

"Anytime I make a mistake, or anytime that I feel that I'm at fault for something, it lingers on," he con-

tinued in a frustrated and upset tone. "I just can't let things like that go past me. That game is probably going to be with me longer than the Irvine game."

While this immense pressure to succeed consistently weighs heavily on his shoulders, Madden has also been known to take others under his wing. With a pair of new off-guards, juniors Lelan McDougal and Danee



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Gaucho point guard Tecon Madden may not find himself above the rim on too many occasions . . . but he can dunk.

coming of the bench as the backup point, Madden has been supportive in helping them adjust to their roles on the floor.

"I think that Tecon has lent himself to the development of all three of those guys. It's been especially tough for Phillip, having played so many minutes last year, to adjust to his new role," Pimm commented. "But Tecon has helped and been sensitive to that adjustment. He's not reluctant to give up some time - even though he wants to play - so that Phillip can continue to build his game too."

Off the court, Madden could be considered a ladies' man — of sorts. However, the quiet and reserved Madden is not the type of ladies' man that the cliché infers. The youngest of five children, Madden's three sisters, Cylinda, Leana and Sherese, would always fight over who would babysit little Tecon. The next lady in his life is his girlfriend, Liz Garcia. Despite being geographically separated during Madden's two JC years in the Bay Area, the two have been together for five years since their high school days in Bakersfield.

The other lady in Madden's life is his mother, Bobbie. Tecon credits much of his success to her for the sacrifices she made to put him through junior college.

"We've developed a bond ever since her and my father got divorced during my sophomore year in high school. With her working two jobs, each time we spent together was quality time.

Prince, and junior Phillip Turner And when I moved away to junior college, she had to pick up a third job to support me with my rent. She didn't want me to work. She wanted me to concentrate on school and get out in two years and move on."

However, Madden is quick to point out that his closeness with his mother has one reluctant, but very common, downside as

"It's funny, because at eight o'clock in the morning, she feels everyone in the world is up so she'll call me. And I know it's her, so I pick up the phone and say, 'How you doing, Mom?' I guess it all ties down to me being

the baby of the family."

Getting back to the game,
Madden has still yet to dunk
during a game while at UCSB, despite receiving an offer of a \$5 donation (from Turner) to the Tecon Madden Lunch Fund. Regardless, there is still one other thing, besides dunking, that can make Madden smile like that little kid in a candy shop. With the exception of senior center Doug Muse's "MUUUSE" chant from the crowd during introductions, Madden is the only Gaucho to have a Thunderdome crowd chant.

"I love that. The first time I heard it last year I said, What is this?' The crowd is screaming, 'TE-CON MAD-DEN ...,' and I'm saying, 'Wow, this is the kind of crowd that I've always wanted to play in front of.' It really gets me going, knowing that I have that support behind me."

Spikers to Host cougars, Co

By Jenny Kok Staff Writer

With high expectations and a #7 national ranking going into their 1995 season, the UCSB men's volleyball team (1-0) is hoping to start off Mountain Pacific Sports Federation play on a positive note when they face #8 Brigham Young University tonight at 7:05 in the Events Center.

Last season, the Cougars gave the Gauchos a pounding when they visited the UCSB campus, but this season, things

could be a lot different. "We are a much stronger team this season," UCSB Head Coach Ken Preston explained. "We have all of our starters back this season, but BYU lost three of their strongest starters. They still have three strong returning players, but we feel that

we have what it will take to win this match."

The Gauchos will continue to use the same starting line-up they have used since their trip to Puerto Rico: senior setter Todd Rogers, middle blockers senior Carter Reese and sophomore Rob Treahy, and outside hitters senior Daren Torbet, junior Brant Chillingworth and junior Amaury Velasco. This group is coming off of a win over Indiana Purdue and most recently a strong performance over the alumni team.

"We are definitely going to take this match as a chance to re-evaluate the line-up," Preston said. "So far we are very happy with it, but if changes need to be made, we will make them. We have to stop [Scott] Larkin and Kevin Hambly or at least slow them down in order to win this match.

BYU seniors Hambly and

Larkin, as well as Jesse Gant, now share the Cougars spotlight. Hambly led the team in kills per game last season with a 5.1 average and was 12th nationally in blocking, averaging 1.6 per game. Larkin, who averaged 2.5 digs per game last season, was eighth-ranked nationally and pounded out 44 kills in the championship match of the Olympic Festival this past summer. Gant has been the team's backup setter for three seasons.

Along with the three seniors, BYU will heavily rely on three highly talented newcomers, sophomore Anthony Fenton and freshmen Matt Olsen and Steve Hinds.

The two teams will be among 16 other teams that will compete at the UCSB Collegiate Invitational all day this Friday and Saturday in the Events

Don't miss the UCSB men's basketball game Monday at 9 p.m. in the Thunderdome. The Gauchos are currently 8-0 on home court. Tickets will be distributed at noon in Storke Plaza on game day. The game will be televised on ESPN.